DOMINION
1943
DIARY

R. M. ANDERSON

1943

Day to Day Notes only

COUNTING HOUSE CALENDAR 1943

	Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
JAN.	..	..	..	..	..	1 1	2 2
	3 3	4 4	5 5	6 6	7 7	8 8	9 9
	10 10	11 11	12 12	13 13	14 14	15 15	16 16
	17 17	18 18	19 19	20 20	21 21	22 22	23 23
	24 24	25 25	26 26	27 27	28 28	29 29	30 30
	31 31	..	..	..	..	..	..
FEB.	..	1 32	2 33	3 34	4 35	5 36	6 37
	7 38	8 39	9 40	10 41	11 42	12 43	13 44
	14 45	15 46	16 47	17 48	18 49	19 50	20 51
	21 52	22 53	23 54	24 55	25 56	26 57	27 58
	28 59	..	..	..	..	..	..
MAR.	..	1 60	2 61	3 62	4 63	5 64	6 65
	7 66	8 67	9 68	10 69	11 70	12 71	13 72
	14 73	15 74	16 75	17 76	18 77	19 78	20 79
	21 80	22 81	23 82	24 83	25 84	26 85	27 86
	28 87	29 88	30 89	31 90	..	..	..
APRIL	..	..	..	..	1 91	2 92	3 93
	4 94	5 95	6 96	7 97	8 98	9 99	10 100
	11 101	12 102	13 103	14 104	15 105	16 106	17 107
	18 108	19 109	20 110	21 111	22 112	23 113	24 114
	25 115	26 116	27 117	28 118	29 119	30 120	..
MAY	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 121
	2 122	3 123	4 124	5 125	6 126	7 127	8 128
	9 129	10 130	11 131	12 132	13 133	14 134	15 135
	16 136	17 137	18 138	19 139	20 140	21 141	22 142
	23 143	24 144	25 145	26 146	27 147	28 148	29 149
	30 150	31 151	..	..	..	..	..
JUNE	..	..	1 152	2 153	3 154	4 155	5 156
	6 157	7 158	8 159	9 160	10 161	11 162	12 163
	13 164	14 165	15 166	16 167	17 168	18 169	19 170
	20 171	21 172	22 173	23 174	24 175	25 176	26 177
	27 178	28 179	29 180	30 181	..	..	..

	Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
JULY	..	..	..	..	1 182	2 183	3 184
	4 185	5 186	6 187	7 188	8 189	9 190	10 191
	11 192	12 193	13 194	14 195	15 196	16 197	17 198
	18 199	19 200	20 201	21 202	22 203	23 204	24 205
	25 206	26 207	27 208	28 209	29 210	30 211	31 212
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
AUG.	1 213	2 214	3 215	4 216	5 217	6 218	7 219
	8 220	9 221	10 222	11 223	12 224	13 225	14 226
	15 227	16 228	17 229	18 230	19 231	20 232	21 233
	22 234	23 235	24 236	25 237	26 238	27 239	28 240
	29 241	30 242	31 243	..	..	..	..
SEPT.	..	..	..	1 244	2 245	3 246	4 247
	5 248	6 249	7 250	8 251	9 252	10 253	11 254
	12 255	13 256	14 257	15 258	16 259	17 260	18 261
	19 262	20 263	21 264	22 265	23 266	24 267	25 268
	26 269	27 270	28 271	29 272	30 273	..	..
OCT.	..	..	..	..	..	1 274	2 275
	3 276	4 277	5 278	6 279	7 280	8 281	9 282
	10 283	11 284	12 285	13 286	14 287	15 288	16 289
	17 290	18 291	19 292	20 293	21 294	22 295	23 296
	24 297	25 298	26 299	27 300	28 301	29 302	30 303
	31 304	..	..	..	..	..	..
NOV.	..	1 305	2 306	3 307	4 308	5 309	6 310
	7 311	8 312	9 313	10 314	11 315	12 316	13 317
	14 318	15 319	16 320	17 321	18 322	19 323	20 324
	21 325	22 326	23 327	24 328	25 329	26 330	27 331
	28 332	29 333	30 334		..	..	..
DEC.	..	..	..	1 335	2 336	3 337	4 338
	5 339	6 340	7 341	8 342	9 343	10 344	11 345
	12 346	13 347	14 348	15 349	16 350	17 351	18 352
	19 353	20 354	21 355	22 356	23 357	24 358	25 359
	26 360	27 361	28 362	29 363	30 364	31 365	..

R. M. Anderson. 58 Driveway,
Ottawa, Canada

THE YEAR

Residence Phone: Dial 2-4323
Office Phone: Govt. Phone: 2-8211,
Local 4281.

1943

In case of emergency please notify
Mrs. R. M. Anderson, 58 Driveway,
near Waverley Street, Ottawa.

Lodges: Civil Service Lodge, No. 148, Ontario,
A.F. & A.M., Ottawa.
Ottawa Chapter, No. 222, R.A.M.

BLUE LINE
SJD
ST JOHNS P.Q.

Automobile License No. 1942. 4P914.
Car insured Pearl Assurance Co. Ltd.,
London, England, Policy No. 1537021,
Expiry date, April 15th. 1943.
Car. No. Serial H 10001.
Motor No 78-6050. 650
Valuable papers are at Bank of Montreal,
Bank Street Branch, Ottawa.
Passenger Motor Vehicle Permit 1943-No.
4M996
Motor outboard. Johnson 23901.

No. 5122

DOMINION BLANK BOOK CO., LIMITED
ST. JOHNS, P.Q.
MADE IN CANADA

Nat. (No. 5265, Series A, 16 September, 1920).

Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2026 with funding from
Funded by the Alaska Library Network through a grant from the Rasmuson Foundation

https://archive.org/details/pocketdiarydayto00ande

MEMORANDUM FROM 1942

FRIDAY JANUARY 1 1943

Maximum temperature +8° F. Minimum +2
Sun rises 8^{43} a.m. Sets 5^{31} p.m. (Daylight Saving Time) 1 hour fast.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Clear all day.

Light northerly breeze. Shovelled deep snow from back yard. 9^{00} - 10^{45} a.m.

$12^{:00}$ Attended Governor-General's New Year's Levee in Centre Block. (Parliament Building His Excellency the Earl of Athlone received the Diplomatic, Officers of Garrison (Army, Navy Air,), followed by anybody else who wished to call. as announced in papers yesterday. Costume informal. Attendance smaller than usual as street cars are still stopped on account of snow and ice blocking streets. Bus service going on, and some motor cars running. In evening, David Swann, R.C.N.V.R., showed projections of Kodachrome pictures taken on Gatineau ski trail

SATURDAY JANUARY 2 1943

Clear morning, about as cold as yesterday but calm. Clear all day. Up 7^{00} a.m. Office 9^{00} a.m. to 12^{45} p.m. Notice on bulletin board that staff could leave at 12:00 M. Small staff present, as half of the people were allowed ½ day unofficial leave the day after Christmas and the other half today. Mr. C. E. Johnson and Miss P. M. Hulbert were at office today. Received letter from Dr. Harold B. Hitchcock, London, stating that he expected to come Tuesday by train to visit but leave at Fourth Chute on Bonnechere River near Renfrew. Spent most of afternoon shovelling snow from front of garage on Frank Street. So much snow piled up that I had to carry about a ton across the street to dump it. Dorothy skiing at Central Experimental Farm and Isabel went to Oliphant Rogers, Billings Bridge

SUNDAY JANUARY 3 1943

Max. +13 Min. -10B Sun rises: 8^{43} Sets 5^{33}

Clear all day. Widened the cleared space in back yard so that a truck can get in with coal. Cracked ice from front steps and shovelled it away. Also shovelled away a drift of snow about 2½ feet deep, which nearly blocked out the south windows in my basement den. Mother and Isobel went to Chalmers Church. Dorothy went on ski-trip up Gatineau on morning train and got a ride back in car early in evening. I went downtown in afternoon, but New York Times did not come today, as the Montreal train left before the New York train reached Montreal this morning

MONDAY JANUARY 4 1943

Max. +9. Min. +4. Sun rises 8^{43} – Sets 5^{34}

Cloudy most of day with a fairly strong East wind drifting the loose surface snow a little

Office: 8^{45} – 12^{00} 1^{45} – 5^{30} p.m.

Went down town at noon but N.Y. Times had not arrived, and I got it in evening 6^{00} p.m.

Correspondence. Wrote report on work of Division of Biology for month of December: Made it brief. ~~as~~ work done did not make a big showing on paper, and we are being urged to conserve paper anyway.

M.B.C. spent the day being trained for work of Postal Department.

TUESDAY JANUARY 5 1943

Max. +9. Min. –1. Sun rises: 8^{42} Sets 5^{35}.

Garbage taken away today, first removal since before Christmas.

Cloudy morning: bright around noon and cloudy again later in afternoon. Office 8^{30} – 12^{45}, – 1^{30} –

Spent some time filing letters etc. Dr. Harold B. Hitchcock called in afternoon. He is taking train to Renfrew this afternoon and hopes to go from Renfrew on the Eganville road to visit the bat cave at "Fourth Chutes" on Bonne Chère River. I looked up some records of Hoary Bat for him so he could publish the Southampton Island record for bat taken last summer. He said that Flying Officer Keith Reynolds of London had a crash recently and broke ~~three~~ ribs, and is now in hospital in England.

8^{00} p.m. Lecture by Prof. J.R. Dymond on "Wild Life Management" at Museum. Ont. Fish and Game Ass'n. Good attendance. Lecture not polished; Entirely unprofes-

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 6 1943

Max. +8 Min. -12B. Sun rises: 8^{42} Sets: 5:^{35} p.m.
Clear night; cold. Morning partly clear with some clouds.

EPIPHANY DAY (QUEBEC)

Office 8^{30} a.m. 12^{30} – 1^{40} – 6^{40} p.m.
Phoned J. J. Heney Co. and got promise to deliver 1 ton mixed Stove and Chestnut coal some time tomorrow.

Correspondence and filing. Some of my files are becoming so crowded that it is a problem how to split them up. Did a little work on bats.

Ogilvy's men came with truck, about 1 p.m. and took away the Krohler davenport to fit a new cover on it. Some difficulty getting the thing out of door.
Wrote Wm. Lang a letter.

I have been having a cold for the past three days, not very bad as colds go but I have been virtually immune since my Rocky Mountain work in 1934. At the time it was only a sniffle which I paid no attention, but it settled in my throat two days ago, causing extreme hoarseness.

THURSDAY JANUARY 7 1943

Max. +7 Min. -8B Sunrises: 8^{42} Set: 5^{37} p.m.
Clear morning. Fairly cold. Up 6^{46} a.m.
Office 8^{21} a.m. – 12^{25}; 1^{30} – 5^{45} p.m.

Correspondence and filing. The steel filing case containing letters (4 drawers) was becoming choked and I cleared out one drawer of adjoining case, and transferred files of deceased naturalists and some old files of Biological Survey etc. to the latter case. Also went over file of scientific societies, etc. and discarded a waste paper basket full of outdated miscellany, but saved all of historic interest for a time.
Heney's put in one ton of coal (mixed stove and chestnut)

FRIDAY JANUARY 8 1943

Max. +6 Min. ~~-20~~ Sun rises: 8^{42} Sets: 5^{38}

Clear, calm morning.

Office 8^{30} a.m. - 12^{30} 1^{30} - 5^{00} p.m.

Correspondence. Working on files:

P.M. Rec'd package Herbarium from 4th Christie, Renfrew Co. collected by H. B. Hitchcock, M. S. Carbin 8 Pittsfield McKenney [illegible] 6.

Dr. Rand came over to office for a while. He is thoroughly dissatisfied with his work, putting in full time to accomplish about two days of work per week, under a "typical civil service" bureaucrat who has no special detail beyond his grasp and has to make a bluff to everybody. Rand is considering a request for leave to join the active army. He asked me to see Dr. Lynch about it but Lynch has been sick for two or three days.

6 Invited to dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bowers, 247 Fourth Avenue. Dr. Bowers was head of biological department of Normal School; now Flying Officer, R.C.A.F. Hdq. working on text book, etc. Mr. and Mrs. Evans of Normal School staff also guests. Home at 10^{30}

SATURDAY JANUARY 9 1943

The day was colder than it seemed in morning. The ~~Citizen~~ Journal says the thermometer dropped to -25 B. during the night at Experimental Farm -22° at 9^{00} a.m.; the coldest day of 1943 thus far. The coldest record for the winter at Ottawa was Dec. 20th 1942, -34 below zero

Office 8^{30} - 1:00 p.m.

Correspondence

At home all afternoon, as I have had a fairly severe cold - at first a slight head cold, then hoarseness for past two days, and now a slight bronchial trouble is developing - the usual course but I have had no similar cold for past three years

SUNDAY JANUARY 10 1943

Max. +9. Min. -14 B. Sun 8^{41} - 5^{41}

Clear all day. Light East wind

Went out in morning and widened entrance to garage on French Street. Worked about 1½ hours carrying snow across street on shovel to find space to pile the surplus snow.

Dorothy went on ski trip by morning train to Chelsea. Isabel went with Patricia and others by the bus line to Camp Fortune. I stayed at home all day except for walk down town to get Sunday New York Times which arrived on time today

MONDAY JANUARY 11 1943

Max. +27 Min. +4 Sun rises 8^{41} Sets. 5^{42} pm

Somewhat cloudy morning, not as cold as yesterday

Up. 6^{45} a.m. Office 8^{40} a.m. 12^{20} - 1^{45} - 5^{30} pm

Light fall of snow in evening

D.J. Blakely came up with 5 remaining *Pipistrellus* bats which Hitchcock sent us Friday. He wonders if the *Pipistrelles* are less hardy, as they all died, while the *Myotis* *subulatus* *leibii* are alive and frisky.

Letter from Ian McT. Cowan asking for loan of *Peromyscus*, m. specimens from Bella Coola region and *Clethrionomys* from Dean Sound. B.C.

Spent some time in afternoon writing a memo re disposal of Can. Arct. Exped. reports. The distribution office needs more room, and the advice of Mr. Jeffcoat, a clerk sent around to make investigations, seems to think the scientific reports are not good sellers and wants to get rid of all but a small stock to make room for better reports, and wants the old idea of scrapping anything "scientific" in favor "economic"

TUESDAY JANUARY 12 1943

Max. + 29. Min. + 11. Sun rises 8^{40} – 5-43
Clear all day. Office 8^{30}–12^{30} 1^{45}–5^{45} pm
Correspondence Wrote Ig. Cowan re B.C. Peromyscus and Clethrionomys. (N.W. Coast forms) after checking over our ~~stock~~. Picked out 3 specimens each of bats Myotis subulatus leibii and Pipistrellus subflavus to send to J. D. Soper and Ian McT. Cowan.
Mr. Polch on leave for 3 days beginning today.
Mr. Roberts and Mr. Blakely finished the job of laying out bird skins in storage cases, that had been disturbed by shifting position in cases during moving back to Museum; some were imperfectly [illegible].
7^{45} p.m. Meeting of Civil Service Lodge, A.F. & A.M. No. 148, G.R.C. in Ontario; W.W. Lester init. 1st. Closed 9^{45} pm.
Clear, cold evening.
Hayes brought over a live Peromyscus, caught in "live trap" in his house in Rockcliffe Park.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 13 1943

Max. +11 Min. +9 Sun rises 8^{40} Sets 5^{45}
Up 6^{40} am Clear morning. Isabel got a job yesterday in sorting branch Postal Censorship. She was called up for interview with an official in Naval Intelligence, but thought that the specifications were more than she could handle. Nessa got a Mrs. Mackenzie, Waverley St. to come in on Monday to work from [illegible] am to 4 or 5 pm. every day.
Office 8^{30} a.m. – 12^{30}; 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm.
Spent most of day sorting and re-arranging Pacific Coast (incl. all B.C.) specimens of Peromyscus.
Put list of localities represented, printed with pen on cards, at front edge of specimen trays, enabling certain specimens to be picked out easier.
The middle front of tray bears printed Province heading, and the species or subspecies name below

THURSDAY JANUARY 14 1943

Max. +19 Min. +6. Sun rises. 8^{40} Sets 5^{45}

Slightly Cloudy in morning. Up at 6^{25} am. as paper delivery boy came Early. Office 8^{30} – 12^{46}; 1^{45} – 5^{45}

Did some work on B.C. *Peromyscus*.

Received notice from Mr Lynch's office that D.J. Blakely, taxidermist is being Exempted from retirement until March 23, 1944. He will be 67 on March 23, 1943

Finished the detailed measurements of the bats sent in by Dr. Hitchcock

Cloudy all day, warmer; light snow began to fall in afternoon and we seemed to be in for a heavy downfall about 8^{00} pm. but snowfall during night was light, 3 or 4 inches

8^{15} pm. Meeting of Council, Ottawa Field Nat. Club, in office of Agricultural Representative 295 Albert Street. Started for same, but snow too deep on [illegible] St. and I gave up.

FRIDAY JANUARY 15 1943

Max. +33 Min. +18 Sun rises: 8^{39} Sets 5^{47}

Cloudy in Early morning. Swept and shovelled snow from front steps and path in front: Up 6^{40} am

Office 8^{30} a.m. 12^{30} 1^{45} 5^{30}

Clouds mostly disappeared by 9^{30} am. and sun came out

Correspondence.

Spent some time working on *Peromyscus* and *Clethrionomys* in relation to loan to Dr Cowan

In evening swept and shovelled steps and paths.

SATURDAY JANUARY 16 1943

Fairly warm day, barely thawing
Office 8^30 – 1^00 pm.

Spent much of forenoon sorting and making a list of skins and skulls with museum numbers of specimens to be sent to Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan
66 skins and 66 skulls of Peromyscus
24 " " 22 " " Clethrionomys.

Stayed at home in evening with cold worse, nose running freely, but cough only slight. Drank several glasses of hot lemonade and went to bed early.

Dr. Rand was at office in afternoon. He has not seen [illegible] yet. He thinks he may write a book on fauna and flora of different areas in Canada.

SUNDAY JANUARY 17 1943

Max. +13. Min. −9 B. Sun rises: 8^38 sets 5^14
Cloudy in early morning. Clear most of day.
Dorothy and Isabel went to Camp Fortune with different parties of girls for a day's skiing.
I cleaned snow out of back yard again as well as clearing front of garage again.
Down town in afternoon to get New York Times

In N.Y. Times today read obituary of Mrs. William Bartlett, at Brigus, Newfoundland, on Jan. 16., Bob Bartlett's mother. She was 91 years old.

MONDAY JANUARY 18 1943

Max +17 Min. +1. Sunrise: 8^{37} Sets: 5^{51} pm.
Cloudy morning. About 3 inches of soft snow during night. Light snowfall during most of day.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} 2^{00} – 5^{45} p.m.

Sent out one carton of mammal specimens (90 skins and 88 skulls) to Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan.
Sent 6.60 P.M.O. to Aurèle Bernier, Secy.-Tr. Municipal Corporation of Messines, P.Q. tax on lot CH for 1943.
Sent $3.00 P.M.O. to F. C. Lincoln 1943 sub. for Proc.-Biol.-Soc.-Washington.
2^{15} pm Meeting of Advisory Board on Wildlife Protection Room 104, Norlite building. Did not attend on account of having bad cold.
8^{00} pm. Ottawa Chapter No 222 R.A.M. General business no M.M.M. Unable to attend.
Wrote to Bob Bartlett re death of his mother

TUESDAY JANUARY 19 1943

Max. +25 Min. +1 Sunrise: 8^{36} Sets: 5^{52}
Some rather wet sleety snow fell during the night. Cloudy morning, almost thawing. Left 6 40 am
Office 8^{25} a.m. – 12^{30}. 1^{45} – 5^{30} pm
Correspondence and filing.
Roof of house leaking on west side, running into dining room. Caused by a dam of ice along edge of roof outside of walls. Snow melts under deep snow on roof and runs down the edge of wall and freezes at edge of eaves because the roof is cold outside of wall.

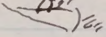
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 20 1943

Max. – ~~14B~~ 38. Min. – 12B Sun 8^{35} – 5^{53}

Clear all day and colder. Up 6^{40} am.

Went to Office 8^{20} and stayed until 9^{00} am.

Put in application for leave today (Statutory leave).

Bought new small axe ($1 30) and handle for broad-axe, and put in cellar and went to work on roof about 10^{30} am. Put extension ladder up the west side and climbed over ice ridge. Found snow about 18 inches deep on level, with three layers of ½ inch ice. Got all snow shovelled off except a strip about 4ft wide at ridge. then broke off the ice ridge  beginning at south end. In afternoon shovelled snow and ice off back yard. Cowan, 227 Bank St. sent over a small load for $2.50 and truck broke off one fence post getting out. In evening took wood out of coal bin and piled it in very small room.

THURSDAY JANUARY 21 1943

Max. –11B Min. –23B Sunrise 8^{35} Sets 5^{54} pm

Clear morning. Up 7^{00} am. Office 8^{45} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{30} pm

Journal Ex: Thermometer –24 at 9 am. –11B at 3 pm

Correspondence.

8^{15} p.m. Lecture by Dr. C.H.D. Clarke on "A Summer on the Shores of the Arctic" [1942] at St Patrick's College. Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club

FRIDAY JANUARY 22 1943

Max. −20 Min. −25 Sun rose 8^{34} Sets 5^{56}
Clear day. Office 8^{30} - 12^{35}, 1^{50} - 5^{45} pm.
Correspondence, filing.
Spent some time during the day typing labels for pamphlet filing cases, using the 12pt Remington Typewriter

SATURDAY JANUARY 23 1943

Clear day - Rather cold
Office 8^{30} 1^{00} pm.
Did some work on labelling filing cases
Mr. Fred H. Glenny, of Akron, Ohio, private in the A.A.M.C. Called at office. He is doing some research work on avian anatomy and wanted to see Peters Birds of the World and Cory's work on N.A. birds. I took him into Bird Room and found the books. He worked there from about 11 am to 4 pm. He saw Rand late in afternoon. I invited ~~him~~ Mr. Glenny to our home for dinner tomorrow.

SUNDAY JANUARY 24 1943

Max. +14. Min. — 8 B Sunrise 8^{32} Sets 5^{39}
Clear in morning. Cloudy in afternoon. Shovelled snow for about 2 hours, clearing front of Garage on Grant Street, and snow from laneway to our rear. Mr Fred H. Glenny came to dinner at 1^{00} pm and stayed for tea. He has taken 2 years post graduate at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, and nearly one year at Toronto working under Dr. J. Home Craigie. He had much to say of interest regarding his work

MONDAY JANUARY 25 1943

Max +22 Min. +8 Sun rises: 8^{32} Sets 6^{00} pm
Up 7^{00} am. Office 8^{35} – 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm
Cloudy day. Much warmer, and snow softening. Typed about 20 labels for trays of wolf skins & skulls. Recd 10 copies each of 4 P.Q. mammal papers from M. G. Ratté.
Wrote memo. re Exemptions from Military Service for A.E. Porsild and A.L. Rand in accordance with memo from Mr. Tremaine's office. Recd (10 copies each) 4 P.Q. mammal papers from ~~M.~~ Gustave Ratté.
Rand at office for a while around noon, working with Dalca on arrangement of typical mammals a wall ~~board~~ traced
Clearing in evening, and colder

TUESDAY JANUARY 26 1943

Max. +13 Min. +1 Sun rises: 8^{31} Sets. 6^{01}

Clear day. Calm. Somewhat colder. Up at 7^{45} a.m.

Office 8^{40} 12^{15}: 1^{45} –

Wrote Dr. Rattie re reprints and processing paper for 1943 Report

Recd 3 good reports from J. D. Soper today The Blue Goose (Boston Soc. Nat. Hist.) Mammals of Wood Buffalo Park (Journ. Mamm.) and Birds of Wood Buffalo Park (Royal Canad. Inst. Toronto)

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 27 1943

Max. +16 Min. +6 Sun rises 8^{30} Sets. 6^{03} p.m.

Office 8^{30}– 12^{30} 1^{45}– 5^{45}

Correspondence:

Spent most of day completing determinations of specimens collected by J. D. Soper in 1942 in Prairie Provinces. Finished them with exception of jumping mice which I am obliged to refer to Z. h. campestris and Z. h. minor according to the current ideas; also some indeterminate "Peromyscus approaching borealis" from S.W. Manitoba. Stuart had a bunch of girl friends in to spend evening. I put in about two hours making revisions on my "Birds of Souris" from Dr. Mowat's 1934 revised list.

THURSDAY JANUARY 28 1943

Max. +16 Min. −1B Sun rises 8^{29} Sets 6^{04}

Cloudy all day. Somewhat warmer — Up $7^{a.m.}$

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5

Packed mammals to be returned to J. D. Soper. 57 skins and 52 skulls to go and longest by Express prepaid. Made list and send copy to Soper

Letter from A. Wetmore re C.A.E. Reports. He has to warn to store them as International Exchange Service has become filled with publications to be held until after war. He recommends writing to Library of Congress. Also, Commerce Dept will take 12 set to send to South American libraries

Postponed Jan. 29

6.30 Chalmers Men's Association. Supper at Church. Address by Dr. Frantisek Pavlasek, Czecho-Slovak Minister Plenipotentiary to Canada, on "Future Prospects of Europe"

FRIDAY JANUARY 29 1943

Max. +24 Min. — 2B Sun rises 8^{28} Set 6^{06}

Clear all day. Sunshine warm and snow melting a bit in exposed places.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{45} – 2^{00}

Got out the ten Blarina brevicauda specimens collected near North Hatley, Stanstead County, Quebec by Jos. Kalm and myself in 1925, and put data on cards. Possibly they may be the same as the new subspecies B. b. hooperi Bole and Moulthrop, 1942, described from a locality Lyndon County, Vermont about 17 miles south of International Boundary.

At noon went to Associated Medical Services Inc. and pd. $6.20 sub for February. Policy continues as of Feb 1st 1943

6^{30} p.m. Chalmers Men's Association.

SATURDAY JANUARY 30 1943

Cloudy weather. Fairly warm, and thawing slightly in sheltered spots.

Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm

Letter from Allan Cecil Brooks, North Vancouver College, asking about specimens of pocket gophers and pocket
Made out measurement cards
mice. Wrote him in forenoon, for the mammals. 10 specimens.
and started making series of skull measurements
Afternoon 3^{30} – 5^{30} at office, and did some filing.

Melville O'Neill, R.C.A.F., of Montreal, is in Ottawa on leave and was at our house for supper. He has just passed the radio technicians course, and will be transferred to Toronto soon.

SUNDAY JANUARY 31 1943

Max. +27. Min +14. Sun rises 8^{25} – 6^{08} pm

Cloudy all day. Very light snow falling in evening.

Shovelled yard and garage, found free of snow again, but snow began falling again in evening.

Dorothy and Isobel met friends & went up on Gatineau Train 9^{10} am. Train stalled near Ironside, and the engineer took part of train on to Chelsea, then backed and took remainder on from Ironside. In the evening the party came down to Ottawa on skis.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 1 1943

Max. +34. Min. +18. Sun rises 8^{24} — 6^{20} pm
Cloudy morning. About 1/2 inch of wet sloppy snow during the night. Up 6^{45} am
Office 8^{30} — 12^{m}. 1^{35} — 5^{50} pm. Dr. A. L. Rand working in Museum today
Finished making measurements of skulls of 10 Pocket Gophers (8 from Okanagan Landing; 1 from Coldstream, near Vernon; 1 from Upper Nicola Lake; from collection of Major Allan Brooks and Allan Cecil Brooks jr.
2^{30} pm to Income Tax office Supreme Court Bldg to get blank form for 1941 income tax. I thought I had made all payments on instalment plan, but they claim they do not have a revised 1941 return. They gave me another blank which I took back to office and filled out from my old duplicate copy which I had made on an old A 60 form on account of shortage of blanks at the time I made return at the [illegible]. The bureaucracy consider themselves infallible and [illegible] it

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 2 1943

Max. +10 Min. 0. Sun rises 8^{23} Sets 6^{19}
Clear morning. Cooler. Up 6^{52} am
Office 8^{30} — 12^{30} 1^{45} 5^{30} pm
Made a few notes on proposed new races of Neotoma and Eutamias
Read letter from Dr. W. B. Davis re my Can. Wolf paper

8^{30} — 11 pm Dr. C. H. D. Clarke phoned before noon that Mr. Paul Provancher, Forestry Engineer, Baie Comeau Pulp and Paper Co., is in town and has consented to show his slides and colour movies of New Quebec. (Manicouagan River. Good attendance. Showing in Forest Products Laboratory, Metcalfe and Isabella Streets, S. of [illegible]

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 3 1943

Max. +17. Min. — 15 B. Sun 8^{22}–6^{13}.
Clear day. Office 8^{30}–12^{20}. 1^{45}–5^{40} pm
M. Provancher showed his slides and movies in Museum auditorium for Lecture Committee and other guests.

Did some work checking over Quebec Mammals. Examination and detailed measurements of 12 skulls seem to show that Blarina brevicauda hooperi Bole and Moulthrop, described in 1942 from 13 specimens from northern Vermont is a good form, and our specimens from North Hatley, P.Q. (Stanstead County), about 18 miles north of Vermont border can be referred to B. b. hooperi.

Wrote J R Dymond re grizzly specimen, J. Kenneth Doutt re H B Phenacomys, H. E. Anthony re Gaspé specimens and H. L. Dill re Minnesota timber wolves

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 4 1943

Max. +37 Min +12 Sun rise 8^{20} Set 6^{14} pm
Cloudy morning. Light snowfall during forenoon
Clearing in afternoon. Evening clear.
Office 8^{30}–12^{40} – 1^{35}–5^{55} pm
Got out flying squirrel specimens from N.S., N.B. and Quebec. Made cards for same and entered external measurements. Rand has nearly finished his study of Microtus pennsylvanicus group.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5 1943

Max. +34. Min. +29. Sunrise: 8^{14}. Set 6^{4}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{45} – 5^{30}pm
Measured a number of skulls of flying squirrels (Glaucomys sabrinus sabrinus as G. s. macrotis, including some which have been classed as intermediate.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6 1943

Cloudy all day. Fairly heavy snow falling by 5^{00}pm.
Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm Correspondence. Measured a few more flying squirrel skulls.
3^{30} – 5^{45}pm at Office: Sorted over a desk accumulation of reprints, circulars, etc., filing some and discarding others

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7 1943

Max. +33. Min +23. Sun rises 8^{16} - Set 6^{4}

Cloudy all day. Thawing. 5 inches of wet snow fell yesterday and last night. Spent about 3 hours (9^{30} to 12^{30} am). Cleaning snow out of back yard and from garage front on Frank St. Dorothy and Isabel went skiing to Camp Fortune, going up on 9^{15} am train, and home about 11 pm.

Snowing again in evening.

Snow and ice crashed in roof of St. James United Church about 5^{30} pm., doing about $15,000 damage.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 8 1943

Max +32 Min. +13. Sun rises 8^{15} Sets 6^{20} p

Up 6^{30} am Office 8^{25} - 12^{30} - 1^{45} - 5^{40} pm

Correspondence.

Measured a number of skulls of Glaucomys, from Miramichi road, N.B., [illegible] and elsewhere. Glaucomys s. sabrinus (Shaw) and G. s. macrotis (Mearns) seem to separate fairly well in skull characters, the latter being much smaller. We seem to have an abnormal number of subadults or young adults in proportion to adults.

In evening spent about two hours revising my duplicate copy of "Birds of Iowa" by putting in the later A.O.U. names, and certain comments from Philip Du Mont's revised list published in 1934.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9 1943

Max. +16. Min. +5 Sun rises 8^{14} Sets 6^{22}
Cloudy. Up 7^{00} am. Office 8^{25} – 12^{10}, 1^{45} – 5
Made out a list for Mr. Moran of 10 persons who could use sets of Report C.A.E. 1913-18. Wrote letters to the persons listed.
Spent some time in afternoon with Rand, looking at specimens of Pedomys group, Meadow Mouse. Bole and Moulthrop (1942) list it as Microtus ochrogaster minor (Merriam), but I cannot see good grounds for doing so.

7^{45} pm Reg. Meeting Civil Service Lodge No. 148. Large attendance, about 50 members, including most all W.M.'s of City and district, official visit of R.A. Whitmore. D.D.G.M.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10 1943

Max. +9. Min. −38. Sun rises: 8^{12} Sets: 6^{23}
Cloudy all. Snow began about 1:00 pm. Changing to sleet and rain by evening. Up 6^{40}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{20} – 5^{45} pm
Measured skull of Glaucomys sabrinus alpinus from Jasper Park. They are proportionately larger than G. s. sabrinus. Compared other series of flying squirrels.
M.B.A. was out of town for day 9 am to $10\frac{1}{2}$ pm. Went to train in evening, train arriving about 10^{45}. Large crowds of airmen and a few soldiers at Station. Raining slightly at 10^{45} pm, freezing as it fell.
Rec'd memo. from [illegible] approving of publication of Porsild Mss. on Mackenzie Flora in "Sargentia"

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 11 1943

Max ~~+24~~ +36 Min. +24 Sunrise: 8^{11} Sets: 6^{34}

Cloudy morning. Up 6^{35} am. Roof leaking again, into dining room

Office 8^{07} a.m. —

Wrapped up revised Mss. and sent it by registered mail to Dr. Hugh M. Raup, Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University, Jamaica Plain, Mass.

W. Daly [illegible] gave me a wire from Ed. [illegible] (Radio Broadcaster) asking for estimate of all past numbers of beaver in Canada and present numbers; also official status of beaver as national animal emblem. Parks Bureau (Wildlife Div.) considers numbers can be only a guess. Dr. Clarke suggested Seton's (1929) estimate as the only available "guess". I also [illegible] Seton for sixty million primitive numbers in N.A. Dom. Bur. Stat. gives 90, , as no. sold 1940-1941. Mr. [illegible] of State Dept. says beaver has no official status, and use in stamps and coins was only applicable to some particular order in each case.

P.m. took ½ day statutory leave and removed ice and snow from west side of roof; also from garage.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 12 1943

Max +13 Min. +7 Sunrise: 8^{09} Sets 6^{2}

Clear morning. Colder. Up 7^{00} am. Office 8^{30}.

Dr. Raup told me he has a provisional offer of a Commission in U.S. service, presumably for New Guinea area. He wants to take the matter up with Lynch and Tuna, and may accept if our Dept. does not do something about fulfilling promises made when Raup came here in January 1942.

~~P.m. 3-5^{30} pm at office. Wrote Roy Howe a Bell~~

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13 1943

Cloudy morning. Snow in afternoon
Office 8^{30} – 1 pm
Looked over Eastern Woodchucks. The skulls of Rufescens Ontario and most of southern Quebec are easily separable from typical Canadensis by size. Type specimen

P.m. 3–5^{30}. Did some filing and wrote Roy Homer McNeill, asking him to send the skull of Timber Wolf from Aurora Minnesota. Wrote him that I am having Canadian Arctic Expedition reports sent to him.
Did a bit of filing papers. Snow falling thickly about 6 p.m.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14 1943

Max +7. Min –16 B. Sunrise 8^{05} – Set 6^{25}
Clear in morning, and rather cold.
Spent about two hours shovelling snow, removing narrow high pile between my laneway and Mr. McCurry's and piled it on side of street to make room for next snowfall. The problem of snow in the city is to find space to stack the snow. It generally has to be moved twice.
Dorothy went to Camp Fortune on morning train to ski. She came back about 11 pm, having come on skis from Camp Fortune to Ottawa via Chelsea. Wind about 50 miles per hour in afternoon and evening. Toronto train stalled in snow drifts from Smiths Falls to Carleton Place, in evening and did not get into Ottawa until Monday afternoon

Monday. Ottawa Journal said thermometer at Exp. Farm froze up after registering 36° below zero. Some say the coldest weather in Ottawa for 63 years

MONDAY FEBRUARY 15 1943

Max. ~~+~~ —12B. Min —32B. Sun 8^04. Set 6^30

Temperature dropped to —36° at Experimental Farm. Noon [illegible] the greatest snowfall of 5 inches

Office 8^45 – 12^20 – 1^45 – 5^50

Received letter from Dr. H. M. Raup proposing plans for botanical investigations in summer of 1943 along Canada – Alaska Highway. The Secy of Joint Economic Committee (Secy of Amer. section) had come to Cambridge from Washington urging work the coming summer. Raup thinks he can raise the money. U.S. Army will provide transport and if our Museum will cover equipment, tent, collecting supplies, etc. we will get ~~its~~ second set of the botanical collections. Wrote memo re above to [illegible] Minister and also wrote to Dr. Raup. Wrote J.R. Dymond commending the [illegible] for [illegible] safely. 8^00 pm – 211th Reg. Course. Ottawa [illegible] the 2221 [illegible] M.W.M.O. to Robt. Spence. Met Lt. Col. J.E.H. Tidswell, R.C. Army Service Corps – interested in Nat. Hist. [illegible]

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 16 1943

Max. +1 Min. −28B Sun rises 8^03 Sets 6^32

Hazy morning, but clearing later. Up 7^00 am

Office 8^45 – 12^30 – 1^45 – 5^30 pm. Clear all day. Cloudy in late evening

Correspondence. Rec'd Ms. on "The Little Northern [illegible] Moth in southern Manitoba" from Stuart Criddle. Discussed it with Dr. Rand and sent it on to Dr. H. G. Senn Ed. C. F.-Nat. Wrote Criddle. Rec'd memo from [illegible] re C.A.E. report

Dr. Marius Barbeau brought around le Père Rio, O.M.I. who has been working in Baker Lake region, Keewatin for about 12 years. Père Rio has an extensive knowledge of the Eskimos perhaps more than anyone else, the Caribou hunting tribes of Kazan etc.

At home in evening. Wrote my sister Mrs. E.W. Foster a belated letter

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17 1943

Max +17° Min +8° Sun rises 8^{02} Sets 6^{33}
Light snowfall, about one inch, during the night
Office 8^{45} am 12^{15} 1^{55} 5^{30} pm
Correspondence and work on mammal specimens and files

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 18 1943

Max. +17. Min. −11B. Sun rises 8^{00} Set 6^{35}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} – 5^{45}

Letter from Prof. Rawson, U. of Saskatchewan, thanking me for having C.A.E. reports sent to him; says he can make good use of them.

Wrote several letters to persons to whom we are sending C.A.E. report. The departmental custom has been to send technical reports only to names on the various selected mailing lists; to persons who write for information on some particular subject, who may get a report if available on that subject; and to names sponsored by a recommendation that is carefully selected on its merits [and very apt to be turned down]

8^{15} pm. Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club lecture by Dr. H. F. Lewis, motion pictures "Birds of Bonaventure Quebec"; "Birds of Canada" (in colour) and "Light on the Birds"'
Attended with Isabel. Good attendance.

Wrote to Ottawa (Ontario) license bureau re
Got 1943 license for car. 4 M 996, and one
plate for rear end. For Economy the Ontario Govt
are only issuing one plate for each car this year.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 19 1943

Max. + 30. Min + 16. Sun rises 7^{58} set 6^{36} p.m.
Cloudy morning. Considerably warmer
Very ~~little~~ snow during night. Up 6^{30} a.m.
Office 8^{25} – 12^{40}, 2^{10} p.m –
Dr. Georges Maheux, Chief, Plant Protection Service,
Dept of Agriculture, Quebec, called at office for a friendly
visit. Saw Mr. Moran re C.G.E. reports. He urged
haste in making lists, as rules may be changed.
Letter from Wm. Rowan expressing pleasure at having reports
sent to him
Warmer in evening, and thawing during night.
Wrote ten letters to officers of institutions to which
we are sending C.G.E. reports

8^{30} p.m. Can. Geographical Soc. 14th Annual Meeting at Museum.
Illustrated lecture "Northwest Passage by Air" by
J.A. Wilson. Also Kodachrome of Alaskan-Canadian
Highway by producer, Mr. I. Kenneth Bliss. Attended with S.A.
Good attendance

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20 1943

Cloudy morning. Very slight mist, almost raining
at 6^{30} a.m., water dripping from roof and snow softening
Museum 8^{25} –

Correspondence. Letter from Dudley Arnott, who was
packer with me in Gaspe. 1927. Now a collector at Tidehead,
Restigouche Co. New Brunswick, about 4 miles west Camp-
bellton.
J.H. Berger delivered a small load of wood, ½ truck load $2.00
P.M. 3^{20}–5^{45} at office. Received a new Polar
Projection map of Northern Hemisphere from Moran this
morning and removed some of the plate glass from
large table and made room for the map
Thawing all day and rivers of water 3 or 4 inches deep
along Elgin Street in afternoon

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21 1943

Maximum +31. Minimum +24. Sun 7^{35} - 6^{39}

Clear all day. Slightly cooler than yesterday, but snow thawing most of day.

Put new plates 4M996 on car. Had some difficulty as old bolts were rusty and hard to get out. Shovelled a little snow and ice in backyard. Down town in afternoon for [illegible]. Saw several truck loads of soldiers coming in from ski practice. Not many skiers out today as snow is soft, and badly glazed since last snowfall.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 22 1943

Max. +37 Min. +25 Sun rises 7^{53} Sets 6^{41}

Clear morning. Up at 6^{45} am

Office 8^{20} - 12^{30} - 1^{30} - 5^{30}

MBA and Insect moving today. Their offices were moved from Free Press Bldg (Spurts) and Mortimer Bldg (Nicholas) to new buildings at Experimental Farm on Saturday. Correspondence.

Received 1 cranium and mandibles of timber wolf from Prof. Homer A. Dill, Director Museum Nat. Hist., University of Iowa City, on loan. Taken near Aurora, St Louis County, Minnesota in 1937.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 23 1943

Max. +40 Min. +26. Sun rises 7^{51} Sets 6^{42}.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{45} – 5^{20}pm

Phoned to Mr. Timm's office and Miss Edwards told me that he was at Renfrew today, but would be back tomorrow. She suggested that I phone tomorrow afternoon.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 24 1943

Max. +37 Min. +36. Sun rises 7^{50} Sets 6^{43}

Clear day. Rather warm and snow melting fast. Side streets worse than ever, as loose snow softens up and many cars stalled.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{40}

Worked most of day on grizzly bears (Arctic forms)

Arranged to see Mr. W. B. Timm (Director of M. & G. Branch) a little before 5^{30}pm. Went to his office 5^{20} – 5^{40}pm and discussed Dr. Rand's case on 3 points:
(1) Salary. War regs. prevent increases at present. The approp. for Cur. (Superannuated) is not renewed; considering promotion + Associate Zoologist. (2). Permanency. T. says the Dept wants to keep Rand. - He will soon be Senior Officer and is regarded as a good museum man. "Has a promising future in N.M.C. of the staff". (3) Not feasible to take position of one recently vacated (or dropped.)

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 25 1943

Max. +37° Min. −48 Sun rises 7^{48} Sets 6^{45}
−78 at noon (Journal Office). Clear day. Unsettled
Office 8^{30} – 12^{50} pm 1^{50} – 6^{55} pm

Correspondence. Wrote H B Co. Fur Trade Commissioner Winnipeg. re C.A.E. Reports. Wrote Prof A.G. Huntsman on same subject. Mr. P.J. Moran urged haste in sending out reports before other changes are made. The main reason I have to write personal letters to each recipient is on account of one of Col. John Thompson's (Dir. Economy in Govt. Office) orders not to send certain types of reports unless they are asked for. The idea is to cut down the volume of Govt publications many of which he (and many others) consider useless.

Put in some time on Arctic Grizzly Bears. and got some new ideas.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 26 1943

Max. +15 Min. −48 Sun rises 7^{47} Sets 6^{46}
Up 7:^{46} am. Morning dull sunshine, hazy overcast
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{30} – 5^{30} pm

Correspondence, Etc.

Some work done on Arctic Grizzly Bears

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 27 1943

Cloudy morning.
Office 8^30 – 1^00 pm.
Correspondence
Some work on grizzly bears

3^45 – 5^45 pm. at office. Laid out several trays of jumping mouse specimens (Zapus hudsonius) particularly comparing Ontario specimens with Z. h. canadensis from Province of Quebec.
Light snow in evening.

Mabel and Isabel tried to get car out, but two or three days ago the [illegible] city snowplow scraped along side of French St. and dumped a pile of snow and ice about 2 ft high and about 6 ft wide in front of curb at my driveway so they could not get car out.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 28 1943

Max. + 35. Min + 20 Sunrise 7^43 Set 6^44
Cloudy in morning, rather raw, but snow began to melt before noon. Strong wind in afternoon.

Took axe and shovel over to Phelan's garage on [illegible] Street about 10 a.m. and chopped ice and snow block away, carrying some across street to north side where there is more room. Mr. Phelan came out about 11 a.m. with a pick, shovel and wheelbarrow and helped me finish the job. Wheeled 2 or three loads of snow and ice and dumped them on north side almost to French Street.

Isabel went skiing with [illegible] and other girls and ski-troopers to [illegible] and brought two of them home for supper. Pvt. Bartlett and Pvt Stevens

MONDAY MARCH 1 1943

Max. +25 ~~+10~~ Min. +4 ~~+4~~8 Sunrise 7^{42}. Sets 6^{50}
Office 8^{30}—

TUESDAY MARCH 2 1943

Max. +8. Min — 48. Sunrise 7^{40}— Sets 6^{52}
Clear day. Office 8^{30}— 12 5^{45} pm

WEDNESDAY MARCH 3 1943

Max. +10. Min. +3. Sunrise 7^{38} - Sets 6^{53}

Clear day.

Office 8^{30} - 12^{40} 1^{45} - 5^{45} pm

Corp. Fleming, Medical Corps. at Office from about 11^{45} to 12 [illegible] asking about clothing for Arctic and mountain work. He came back in afternoon and spent some time with Dr. Rand, discussing desirability of getting out a manual of Wildlife of B.C. Alta. etc. in connection with Alaska problems.

THURSDAY MARCH 4 1943

Max. +10 Min. -14B. Sunrise 7^{36} Set 6^{54}

-10B in morning. Clear day, but cloudy late in afternoon

Office 8^{30} - 12^{20} - 1^{20} - 5^{30}

Saw Mr. Moran about Arctic Report.

In afternoon unpacked Gaspé specimens from A.M.N.H. 8 *Glaucomys*, 12 *Clethrionomys*, and 5 *Blarina*.

Unpacked box of specimens received on loan from Am. Mus. Nat. Hist. and made a few preliminary comparisons

FRIDAY MARCH 5 1943

Max. +28. Min. +14 Sun rises 7^{34} Sets 6^{56}
Light snow during night. Cloudy to 6^{45} am
Sudden gale and flurry of snow to 8^{30} am
Sun came out by 9^{30} am
Office 8^{30} – 12^{45} 1^{pm} – 5^{45}

Unpacked 2 boxes of specimens (Peromyscus and Microtus) loan returned.

Put away bear skulls (Grizzlies.) in rearranging them. Rand is fini[illegible] paper on Microtus pennsylvanicus group and we discussed a number of points involved

5^{00} pm Presentation to Dr. G. A. Young, Chief Geologist, on superannuation after 48 years service, since 1896 Radio set presented by Mr. W. B. Timm. Ground floor of Auditorium nearly filled

SATURDAY MARCH 6 1943

Cloudy morning. Rather raw S E wind
Up 6^{00} Office 8^{30} – 1^{00}
Correspondence. Wrote J. H. Goodwin and others
Dr. Rand had the typing of his paper on Canadian Microtines (Microtus pennsylvanicus group)
and gave it to me to look over.
2^{30} – 5^{45} pm at office. Looked over Dr. Ian Cowan's file and wrote him at length re status of some forms of Tamiasciurus left unfinished by the late Arthur H. Howell.
Snow falling in afternoon and evening. 8½ inches of snow fell, under a howling gale drifted snow badly. Many tram switches in distress by drifts 12 to 15 feet in depth which completely blocked tram lines

SUNDAY MARCH 7 1943

Max. +18 Min. +5 Sun rise 7^{31} Sets 6^{58}

Clear in morning but wind still fairly strong. Calm in evening

Spent time from 9 to 12^{30} shovelling out snow from drifts in front of house, back yard, and in front of laneway to garage in Frank Street.

Dorothy went skiing with a friend. They found bus line stalled so they did not go to Camp Fortune, and took street car to Wrightville, and skied up to Kingsmere and Pink lake. Isabel and the Halls went to Fairy lake in afternoon

Fred Glenny at house in evening and told some things of interest during his service at Toronto

Down town in afternoon (but Sunday New York Times does not arrive. but Chateau newsstand expect tomorrow

MONDAY MARCH 8 1943

Max. +9 Min. -13 Sun rise 7^{24} Sets 7^{00}

Clear in morning. Rather cold. Up 6^{40} am

Office 8^{28} – 12^{30} 1^{45} – 5^{55}

Correspondence

8^{pm} – 9^{pm} – At Masonic club rooms for an hour and read Toronto and Montreal papers

TUESDAY MARCH 9 1943

Max. +13. Min −15B. Sun 7^{27}. Sets 7^{01}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{50}

Correspondence. Discussed several phases of work on Microtus townsendii group

Finished a short paper "Revival of name for the Bean Mouse:– Microtus insperatus J.A. Allen (1894). antedates M. p. wahema Bailey (192)

7^{30} p.m. Reg. mtg. C.S. Lodge. A.F. & A.M.
Fair attendance. "Members night"
Home 10^{30} pm. Snowing in evening
Good attendance

WEDNESDAY MARCH 10 1943

Max. + 31. Min. + 9 Sun rises 7^{25}. Sets 7^{04}

Fairly heavy snow during night and all forenoon

Office 8^{25} – 12^{25} 1^{30} 5^{30}p

ASH WEDNESDAY (QUEBEC)

Letter from H.W. Rand stating that his expedition is promised transportation by War Dept. He gives list of equipment needed

R.K. Odell phoned re Sam.. He is now acting as coordinator of survey work along Alcan. highway (or something like that

Came home at 5^{45} and spent about an hour shovelling snow from front of garage. Light misty rain at 10^{30} p.m.

8^{00} pm Railway Comm. Room, House of Commons
Subject, "Rehabilitation through Conservation"
Speakers. Dr. R.C. Wallace (Queen's) and Dr. J.C. Detweiler, Pres. Can. Conserv. Ass'n. Hall filled. 4 Cabinet members and many other members of Parliament.

THURSDAY MARCH 11 1943

Max. +37 Min. +26 Sun rises: 7^{23} Sets 7^{04}

Clear day. Snow melted much during day

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{30} – 5^{30} pm

Correspondence.

Did considerable work on Quebec mammals. Ruled some cards for measurements, and filled same with preliminary data on loan specimens. Glaucomys (Gaspé, A.M.N.H.). Blarina (Gaspé, A.M.N.H. Measured A.M.N.H. Clethrionomys from A.M.N.H. in evening.

Two boxes came in from Supt. Riding Mountain Nat. Park, with skin and skull and some bones of large wolf, the first one taken for years in the district

FRIDAY MARCH 12 1943

Max. +38 Min. +23 Sun rose: 7^{21} Sets. 7^{05}

Another clear day, warm and snow melting.

Office 8^{25} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{30} pm.

Busy day. Arranged with Perron to clean skin and bones of Wolf. Put numbers on bones of F Elk. No. 14085 recently cleaned. Sorted R.O.M.Z. Gaspe Worked on Gaspé specimens, Measured the 5 Glaucomys skulls. Discussed several phases of Microtus longicaudus work done by Dr. Rand. He has worked out a further distribution of the new Rocky Mts. race I suggested, grayer than the form mordax of interior B.C., and separable from the larger race from Alberta plains which I had spotted in Sofa collection of 1927, but had not published. 9^{30}–10^{30} pm. Measured 7 skulls of Gaspé Blarina.

SATURDAY MARCH 13 1943

Clear morning. Freezing a little during night
Up. 6^{40} am Office 8^{20} am – 1^{00} pm

Correspondence. Wrote Dr. Rump re Alcan Expd.
Sandler Daly re requisitions for Nat. Herbarium
supplies. He advised putting in 2 sets, one for
Nat. Herbarium and another for supplies needed by
D Rump, on account of "priorities" possibly preventing
us from getting full amount of paper. ex

2^{20} – 5^{30} at museum. Wrote report on work
Division of Biology for February. Listed ROM2,
Typed some from card file (Skull measurements)
7^{00} pm. Guest for dinner Mr. Arthur Eastham of Van-
couver, grad. U.B.C., and post-grad. McGill, working
for Ph.D. under Prof. Harold Hibbert. He is working
now at Nat. Research Council in Chemistry.
Corp. Fred Fleming also present

SUNDAY MARCH 14 1943

Max. +32. Min +20 Sun rises Set

Clear most of day; snow melting a little in sun
Shovelled a little snow around the corners, including
drift in front of South basement window
which shut off some light from my study
Repaired a 3-legged little table or stand,
with glue and 3 small iron-angle braces
put on with small screws, as the wood is
brittle walnut.

Downtown in afternoon to get N.Y. Times and Sunday
Dorothy and Isabel went on ski trip to Gatineau Park,
going up on train, and back on skis. arriving home
about 7^{30} pm.

MONDAY MARCH 15 1943

Max. +25 Min. +17. Sun rises 7^{16} Sets 7^{09}

Cloudy morning. A small amount of snow during night; but mostly carried away by blustering wind. Up 6^{40}

Office 8^{30} — 12^{30} 2^{00} — 5^{40}pm

Correspondence.

Some discussion on Microtus longicaudus specimens with Dr. Rand.

TUESDAY MARCH 16 1943

Max. + 29. Min. + 18. Sunrises 7^{14}. Sets 7^{10}

Light snow, rain mist and sleet most of day. Up ~~6~~ 6^{45} Office 8^{30} — 12^{20} 2^{00} 5^{30}

Correspondence and memoranda

Dr. C.H.D. Clarke brought over personally a memo from Mr. R.A. Gibson, re North Pacific Planning Schemes.

Home about 5^{15} and shovelled wet snow, sleet and ice from front of garage and house until about 7^{45}pm. [illegible] & Isabel had car stuck in snow on Waverley St. but Mr. Fawcett helped them by pushing from rear.

Light rain from about 8pm to after 11pm.

8^{15}pm. The Victoria Museum Women's Club. Special night of the Royal Canadian Navy and Merchant Marine. Lecture Hall, Nat. Museum. Motion pictures. Navy and marine subjects. Refreshments. Good attendance.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 17 1943

Max. +36 Min. +27 Sun Rises 7^{12} Sets 7^{11}
Cloudy morning. Streets icy and wet. Sun out in forenoon. Office 8^{35} – 12^{30} – 1^{30} – 5^{30}
Correspondence. Wrote J. K. Doutt and sent him a copy of Ann. Rep. N.M.C. for 1927 with brief report on trip to Wood Buffalo Park.

THURSDAY MARCH 18 1943

Max. + 32. Min. +24. Sun rise 7^{10} Sets 7^{13}
Office 8^{30} 12^{30} – 1^{30} – 5^{45} pm
Correspondence. Made out one more list (No 5 of addresses to send C.A.E. Reports.
Rand working busily on Microtus operarius group

M.A.A. went out 7 hours for the day
8^{15} p.m. Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club. Lecture by Mr. H. A. C. Jackson of Montreal on "Mushrooms" – slides, Kodachrome and paintings. In Lecture Hall, National Museum. Fair attendance. Left at 9^{55} to get tram

FRIDAY MARCH 19 1943

Max. +20 Min. +14. Sun rises 7:08 Sets 7:14.
Clear most of day, with keen wind; very little thawing, and only in sunshine on roads. Loop Ex.
Office 8:30 - 12:50 - 1:45 - 5:30 pm.
Correspondence.

Rand working on *Microtus nanus canescens*. Spotted one *M. p. pennsylvanicus* from Pend d'Oreille B.C. (C.S. 1902) labelled *canescens* (outside of apparent range).
In evening measured skulls of Sorex 45-5, from R.O.M.Z. *Zapus hudsonius* from Central Ontario

SATURDAY MARCH 20 1943

Cloudy forenoon. Streets frozen, and ice slippery on level, and very rough on streets
Office 8:30 - 1 pm

Received large file of correspondence and allowance this forenoon for Dr. Rand and I "to vote," re Joint South Pacific plans. They are rather nebulous, and Rand is not at all satisfied about going there on field work until his employment status is settled in a more satisfactory manner.
Afternoon - Down town for a bit. To Nursery 3 pm to 4 pm. Made out revised supplement to 1943 income Tax Statement at request of Mr. L. E. McLellan Dept. (Bureau) Accountant

SUNDAY MARCH 21 1943

Max. + 34. Min + 18. Sunrise 704 717
Max. + 33 at 2^{30}pm Cor. Elgin & Queen
(in shade).

Forenoon – Shovelled some snow blocks out of way in backyard. Icy terrain melted along East wall of brick apartment on west side of yard. Put some ashes in front of Frank St garage. and in back yard.

Downtown in afternoon to get N.Y. Times, Samedi and Le Jour

MONDAY MARCH 22 1943

Max. + Min. + Sun rises: Sets
Clear day but not very warm. Snow melting a little in sun in middle of day
Office 8^{30} – 12^{25} – 2^{15} – 5^{45}

Correspondence. Discussed North Pacific Planning Project with Rand. He is pessimistic but wrote a brief memo to Mr. Turner about it. He does not to be "shelved" until his status is settled

Made appointment with Mr. Bolton for 9^{15} am tomorrow. Dr. C.H.D. Clarke of office phoned saying that Mr. R. A. Gibson is getting anxious about the L.P. & F. Branch memo on wildlife.

TUESDAY MARCH 23 1943

Max. +35 Min +11 Sun rises 7^{00} Sets 7^{14}

Office 8^{30} - 8^{55}. 11^{00} a.m. 12^{30}, 1^{30} 5^{30}

9^{15} a.m. See Mr. L.L. Bolton at 193 Sparks St.

Discussed case of Dr. Rand with him. Told him that Rand was unwilling to work in field on N.P. Planning Project unless his status were settled. Mr. B said the Dept. had made recommendations, and he and Mr. Tunis could not go further. It was up to the Deputy Minister and Mr. C.W. Jackson ("Minister's" Secy) to make representations to Treasury Board. Bolton said I could tell Rand that, also that he and Tunis did not know what Rand was told by Camsell & Jackson; that Rand might have an "overly optimistic" impression.
Called on R.A. Gibson, Dir. L.P. & F. Branch., and Dr. C. H. Clarke was called in.
7^{30} p.m. Emergent meeting of C.S. Lodge, A.F. & A.M., for purpose of conferring degrees.
Phoned C.W. Jackson re Rand, and he said he would not see Rand until Thursday

WEDNESDAY MARCH 24 1943

Max. +39. Min. +19 Sun rises 6^{58} Sets 7 [illegible]

Office 8^{30} — 12^{30} — 1^{45} — 5^{45}

Correspondence.

Phoned Dr. Camsell at 11^{50} a.m. and told him that Dr. Rand was to see Mr. Jackson tomorrow in Jackson's office, and that I thought it would be of value to museum if Dr. Camsell could have a talk with Rand himself, as Rand is apt to leave the museum service and accept commissioned rank in U.S. army. Dr Camsell said he would like to talk to him.

THURSDAY MARCH 25 1943

Max. + 40. Min. + 32. Sun rises 6^{56} sets 7^{22}

Sunshine most of day, not very warm, but considerable snow melted on street.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{40} – 5^{50} pm.
In evening at home wrote memo re M.L.'s tooth condition

Rand finished work on *Microtus* papers, the last one being on *Microtus richardsoni* in Canada, without passing on status of *M. r. arvicoloides* and *M. r. macr* in ~~the~~ U.S. He does not think there is more than the M. r. richardsoni in Canada.

In *Microtus longicaudus* group, the status of M. *l. macrurus* is still unsettled, and [illegible] are describing a new form M. l. pallidus from Rocky Mts.
In M. *townsendii* group, one new form *cummingi* from northern Vancouver Island, which has been considered as possibly connected with *longicaudus*.
The paper on Races of M. *pennsylvanicus* has been read up for approval [illegible] Relations [illegible] Microtus *townsendii* & [illegible]

FRIDAY MARCH 26 1943

Max. + 42 Min. + 30 Sun rises 6^{54} sets 7^{23}

Cloudy most of day, but snow melting steadily

Office 8^{25} — 12^{25}, 1^{50} — 5^{50}

Correspondence. Wrote J.K. Doutt. Re'cd one box of 17 *Peromyscus maniculatus* from East side of Hudson Bay by express collect from Carnegie Museum.
Agreed with Dr. Rand that he should work over our large series of Porcupines, and he got out all the skulls, all the Canadian races being represented. It seems possible that the Eastern races, *Erethizon dorsatum* may be separated by short nasals from the western races E. *epixanthum*.
Received wire from Dr. James Nelson Gowanloch of New Orleans that he will not need the 200 Skunk skins for experimentation, which he wired re cord earlier in week, I phoned Mr. Buckholder

SATURDAY MARCH 27 1943

Office: 8^{30} a.m. to 1^{00} p.m.

Clear most of day. Rather cool.

Correspondence. Wrote Soper at length giving various points brought up in his letter of Feb. 2nd etc. etc.. Rand spent most of forenoon in Bird Room

2^{40} – 5^{30} p.m. at Office. Got out specimens and ~~typed~~ reviewed my old notes in connection with specimens laid out on the table. Wrote preliminary description of ~~External~~ Characters of Gaspé Woodchuck, Gaspé Flying Squirrel, and Nova Scotia Flying Squirrel

SUNDAY MARCH 28 1943

Max. +28 Min. +13. Sun rises 6^{50} Sets 7^{25}.

+26 on Govt thermometer Queen-Elgin at 8^{00} a.m. in those

Up 7^{00} a.m. Cleared a bit of frozen snow from front of garage, and also broke up some snow blocks in back yard.

10^{30} 12^{00} a.m. Took a walk to Ottawa East and Rideau River

Saw first Killdeers, a pair on bare weedy ground west of Gas House, first Bronzed Grackle; two or three Robins; heard Red-winged Blackbirds

Clear all day, but cold breeze from North and snow didn't thaw much today

In afternoon wrote letter and two memoranda to accompany M.L. X-ray negatives

MONDAY MARCH 29 1943

Max. + 30 Min. + 7 Sun rises: 6^{44} Sets 7^{27}
Clear all day, freezing hard in morning - but thawing a bit by noon
Office 8^{30} – 12^{25} 1^{00} — 5^{45} pm
Spent sometime with Dr. Rand discussing various External Characters of many of our Peromyscus series which were laid out on 4 tables in Mammal Room

TUESDAY MARCH 30 1943

Max. + 32 Min + 22 Sun rises 6^{42} Sets 7^{38}
Cloudy all day. Raw and chilly
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{00} – 5^{50} pm
Correspondence

8 – 10^{30} pm. at Office. transcribed notes on "Range or Distribution" from joint paper by Rand and myself on the Microtus pennsylvanicus townsendi and richardsoni to my Card Check-list of Canadian Mammals

WEDNESDAY MARCH 31 1943

Max. +34 Min. +28 Sunrises 6^{45} Sets 7^{24}

Cloudy all day. About $\frac{3}{4}$ inch of snow during night. Some melted in streets during day, but streets wet and slippery.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30}, 1^{40} – 5^{30} pm.

Correspondence.

Rand working all day on Porcupine.

Received one tin containing two skulls of Phoca vitulina concolor (DeKay) from Dr. J. A. Déry and one skull of subadult Halichoerus grypus (Fabricius) from Dr. Vigée Plamondon of Quebec, all taken near Trois Pistoles, P.Q. in Gulf of St. Lawrence.

8^{15} – 10^{00} pm. 5 films showed Museum Auditorium "Backgrounds ~~Planning~~ for tomorrow"

THURSDAY APRIL 1 1943

Max. +51 Min. +32 Sunrises 6^{43} Sets 7^{31}

Light rain in morning, until about 9^{00} a.m. Cleared by 10 a.m. and bright sunshine for rest of day.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30}, 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm

Wrote Dr. J. A. Déry at length giving notes and determination of 2 seals' skulls received from him yesterday as well as Dr. Vigée Plamondon's Gray Seal skull.

The Hon. George Black, M.P. for Yukon, called at Office. He came with Leckie film "Planning for Tomorrow".

8^{15} pm. Field Naturalists' Club Field Excursion Comm. discuss plans. St. Patrick's College, Echo Drive. Good attendance. 10 min talks by Hilton F. L. Bonnie (flowers, ferns), Dr. Rand (birds), Dr. Clarke (mammals), Dr. Frank Moore. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd gave me a ride home.

FRIDAY APRIL 2 1943

Max + 36 Min + 30 Sun rises 6^41 Sets 7^32

Cold in morning. Cloudy. Sunshine at noon

Office 8^20 – 12^10 . 1^40 – 5

Rewrote and finished putting up parts of Annual Report, Division of Biology, and gave it to Miss Hurlbert to type, (triplicate for Director's office, 1 copy for Mr. Lynch's office, and one for my file. Did some work on [illegible] forms. Dr. Rand finished rough draft of paper on Variations in Canadian Porcupines, and read it carefully making a few corrections.

Miss H. J. Hartman applied for 2 weeks leave to attend funeral of her brother's wife at Detroit, who died after long illness, leaving two small children.

6^30 pm ~~Mess~~ Association of Chalmers. Supper. address, "Belgium under Nazi Rule," by Adjutant Alphonse [illegible].

SATURDAY APRIL 3 1943

Clear day. Rather cold

Office 8^30 – 1^00 pm

Correspondence. Wrote J. D. Soper and returned his specimen (skull of porcupine from S.E. Manitoba, which is undoubtedly the Eastern form, from the skull character.

Rand and finished putting away the Porcupine skins and skulls.

3^30 – 5^30 pm at office. Typed out notes and citations of four new subspecies described from Province of Quebec during 1942: *Blarina b. hooperi*; *Phoca v. mellonae*, *Castor c. acadicus* and *C. c. labradorensis*

SUNDAY APRIL 4 1943

Max. +36 Min. +15. Sun rises 6^{37} Sets 7^{35}

Clear in forenoon; cloudy p.m. with a few flakes of snow. Took off 1942 license plates. I took the front one license plates in February when I put on the single 1943 plate on. Later there was an order (or rumour) that the 1942 plate should be left on front of car and the 1943 plate on rear only. So today I had it taken off again. Tom Taggart told me this morning that the city police had stopped him twice and told him to take off the 1942 plate. He told them to chase themselves. As the law only requires that a license plate for current year be on the car. Anyhow one could not buy gas before April 1st without the old gasoline book expiring April 1st, as well as car license and plates on car.

3^{30} – 4^{30} p.m. M.B.A. and I went to National Gallery to see the Russian exhibit of posters and photos. The last day of the exhibit

MONDAY APRIL 5 1943

Max. +29 Min. +19 Sun rises 6^{36} Sets: 7^{36}

Cloudy morning. About one inch of wet snow fell during night. Misty snow at 8^{a} a.m. Cloudy all day. Raw

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{50} – 5^{50} p.m.

Correspondence. Wrote Dr. D. G. Dey re Seals.

Discussed various points in Synaptomys with Rand. We are trying to separate Maritime specimens from northwestern (W. Black) borealis.

Downtown at noon and got Ontario gas rationing license, 120 gals. $1.00 licence fee. To Chateau and bought 2 tickets for Canadian Club luncheon on Wednesday

7^{50} – 9^{50} p.m. at office and redrafted key to Canadian hair seals.

Cold evening with gale blowing. Freezing

TUESDAY APRIL 6 1943

Max. +27 Min. +8. Sun rises 6^34^ Sets 7^37^
Cloudy in early morning. Streets frozen hard. Up 6^40^
Office 8^30^ – 12^30^ 1^30^ – 5^45^ pm
Dr. A.H.D. Clarke came over to office yesterday afternoon. He says he is going to interior of Yukon this summer. Dr. I. McT. Cowan is engaged at $350 per month to make a range survey of Banff and Jasper parks. Probably Prof. V.E. Wynne-Edwards will work for Parks on pipe line from Norman to Mackenzie Mts. Seems The Parks seem to have plenty of money for work the Nat. Museum should be doing

WEDNESDAY APRIL 7 1943

Max. +28. Min. +7. Sun rises 6^32^ Sets 7^30^
Cloudy in morning. Dull sunshine in forenoon. Cloudy p.m. Thawing a little. Up 6^40^ – Office 8^30^ – 12^30^ 1^30^ – 5^45^

Thursday April 8th

Did some work on Hair Seal paper, finishing most of details of descriptions.
Rand got out the series of Dicrostonyx (6 trays) and started work on a joint revision, making use of my data. I have suggested working out a new subsp. which I considered available several years, and we can also work out the status of D. hudsonius from Elton's Belcher Island specimens.
Dr. Max Dunbar called in afternoon. He leaves for Greenland very shortly
7^30^ – at office.

THURSDAY APRIL 8 1943

Max. +38. Min. +22 Sun rises 6^{36} Sets 7^{40}

Cloudy in large part of day. Some sunshine.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 2^{30} – 5^{45} p.m.

Did some work on Seal paper

2^{00} p.m. Dr. J. H. McKeown took an X-ray of back upper left molar

Wednesday, April 7. Attended Canadian Club luncheon with Dr. A. L. Rand. Guest speaker Dr. G. H. C. Hart, on Pets and Parasites in the Pacific (former Director of Dept. Econ. Aff. Netherlands East Indies to 1917

Wednesday, April 7. 8^{15} – 10^{00} p.m. Anniversary of 100th year of Geological Survey of Canada. Dr. Alcock gave an illustrated lecture on "One Hundred Years of the Geological Survey. Good attendance. Old timers present: Faribault, Ingalls.

FRIDAY APRIL 9 1943

Max. +42 Min. +25 Sun rises 6^{28} Sets 7^{42}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{30} – 2^{15} p.m. 4^{30} – 5^{45} p.m.

Correspondence..

Major Ogburn Entomologist, formerly on faculty at Ont. Agri. College, lately transferred from R.C. Art. to C.A. Med. Corps. called. They are preparing for some work on toxicity of Prairie Provinces studying ticks, etc. re sylvatic plague, etc.

2^{15} p.m. Advisory Board on Wild Life Protection. Office of Sec'y. Room 104, Norlite Bldg.

Mostly discussion of proposed changes in N.W. Game Act and/ [illegible] Regulations Adjournment about 4^{00} p.m.

SATURDAY APRIL 10 1943

8^{30} a.m.-1^{00} p.m.
Correspondence, etc.

3^{00} to 5^{30} p.m. at office. Typed 8 folios of new giving citation, range and brief synopsis of characters of 4 forms of [illegible] of [illegible] mammals described by [illegible] and J. Kenneth Doutt in 1942.

Annual Report of Biological Division due today.
Turned it in Early in the week

SUNDAY APRIL 11 1943

Max. +36. Min +14. Sun rises 6^{20} Sets 7^{44}
+34 in shade on Elgin Street at 3^{00} p.m.
In forenoon scattered some snow and ice blocks in back yard ~~so they~~ will melt quicker. Swept sidewalk in front of house. Isobel and Mr. B.G. went to Church. Down town 1^{30} p.m. to get N.Y. Times.
4-5 p.m. Isobel, Mr. B.G. and I went in car out to see the Rands, and had tea and a pleasant visit. Dorothy on ski trip from 11-7^{30} p.m. with Fred Fleming, Ken Webb (Leslie); Miss Coleman, Gr Sears and another girl.

MONDAY APRIL 12 1943

Max. + 35°. Min. + 21° Sun rises 6^{23} – Sets 7^{46}

Cloudy. Light snow in afternoon

Office 8^{30} – 12^{00}. 1^{40} – 5^{45}

Correspondence. Started work on a Synopsis of Rodents of Prairie Provinces (from Winnipeg west to Alberta foothills. Saw W. P. Daly and he said we could probably get Museum to mimeograph it, send copies for R. C. Med. Corps, and others for Museum Correspondents. Major O'Brien would it and will have R. C. M. C. mimeograph it if necessary

(7^{45} pm, Civil Service Lodge. regular meeting.

12–12^{30} pm. Appointment with Dr. Geo. H. McKeown to examine L. M.

TUESDAY APRIL 13 1943

Max. + 39 Min. + 31 Sunrises: 6^{21} Sets 7^{47}

Cloudy morning Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} – 1^{00} – Some work done by Reed and me on Prairie Mammals. Letter from Dr. H. M. Kemp this am saying he would arrive from Boston about noon. I informed W. P. Daly about it. Mr. Kirk council phoned that R. C. Gibson was looking after Kemp's affairs, and asked me to phone Gibson. / later asked Dr. Reed and myself to come to Mr. Jas Smart's office at 2^{30}. Present J. Smart, Mr. Robertson, Dr. C. & D. Clarke, Mr. Sealey (2) (Soil Effect of Agri. Dept.) Dr. Reed. Discussion of proposed work on the Pre-Planning Project

12^{30} pm. Called on Dr. McKeown and he took another X-ray of R. reconsider from another angle.

Dr. Kemp at home for dinner and I took him to Y.M.C.A. at 9^{00} pm

7^{45} pm, C. S. Lodge. 3 degrees. — Could not attend

WEDNESDAY APRIL 14 1943

Max. + 30 Min. + 21. Sun rises: 6^{19} Sets 7^{48}

Cloudy morning. Sun shining most of day but clouded up again in evening. Raw northerly wind today, and little thawing. ~~W.H.B.~~ ~~D. [illegible]~~ and party

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{50} – 5 – 5^{50} p.m. Repeated [illegible] and typed on Rand's plans ~~typewritten for~~ [illegible] home in Miscellaneous Correspondence. Put in some time writing up [illegible] section of Prairie Mammals paper, and Rand did the other section, after which we discussed some re-arrangement of same.

Dr. Rand called before noon, after seeing some [illegible]. He came again in p.m. and saw Mr. ~~[illegible]~~ about field Equipment.

Wrote description of new subsp.: Jasper woodland

7^{30} p.m. at office. Put in request for Editorial Division to return revised Mss. Museum Bull. No 69, "Collecting Methods"

THURSDAY APRIL 15 1943

Max. + 31 Min. + 19 Sun rises 6^{18} Sets 7^{49}

Cloudy morning. Cold. A little sunshine in forenoon. Ralph & C. E. Johnson said they saw a Purple Martin today (the first spring record)

Up 6^{40} – Office 8^{30} – 12^{15}, 1^{50} – 5^{35}

Checked up some data on 2 subsp. nov. Glaucomys

Miss Hurlbert finished typing Rodent Mss.

Supply officer delivered a small truckload of field Equipment which I am storing in Natl. Herbarium.

Pay day. Pd. Receiver General $10.98, bal. back taxes for 1941. Pd. Herbert J. Phipps $21.19 insurance on Motor Car. from April 15th, 1943 (12:01 p.m.) for 1 year.

M.O.S.A.: Dorothy and Isabel went to [illegible] Mtg.

7^{50} – at office. reading Mss. copy of Prairie Mammals paper.

FRIDAY APRIL 16 1943

Max. + 34 Min. + 17. Sun rises: 6^{16} Sets 7^{50}
Cloudy all day. Rather cold – Snow began to fall about 4^{00} pm. and continued more or less all evening.
Up 6^{40} – Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 2^{45} – 5^{45} pm

To Dr. McKeown's office 1^{40} – 2^{30}. He said X-ray showed abscessed condition between 1st and 2nd upper left molars, and advised pulling 1st molar, which he did after giving an injection of Novacaine; to pm.

Finished correcting copy of Mss. of Prairie Rodent paper. Mr. Lynch told me ~~that~~ Seal paper had been approved for translation and publication by Provancher Society. Discussed M. longicaudus specimens (U.S.N. and N.M.C.) compared, and decided to use Alta specimen as type M. l. alta. Home all evening and went to bed early

SATURDAY APRIL 17 1943

Cloudy morning. About 4–5 inches of soft, slushy snow on ground. Shovelled off front steps and path through back yard.
Office 8^{30} — 1 pm.
Correspondence, etc. Parcel (12 lbs) recd from Dr Rand – Equipment shipped by Ehlers from Montreal.

3^{00} – 5^{00} pm at Office. Sorted and compared the Ont. Zapus hudsonius from Ontario, and decided that Pancake Bay series is the best for type. Picked out 20 skins with good skulls (10♂, 10♀), and entered them on cards. Took skulls home to measure tomorrow if I have time

SUNDAY APRIL 18 1943

Max. +47. Min +24 Sun rises 6 12 Sets 7 53

Chopped some icy blocks of snow from south side of house and from west side where bank is still about six feet high. and scattered blocks of ice where they would melt more quickly
Sunshine all day, and fairly warm.
+52 at 3 00 pm in shade, corner of Elgin and Queen streets.
P.M. down town to get paper
Dorothy and Isabel went to Ski Club - to Chelsea by bus and got motor car ride back about 6 30 pm. This will be about the last of the skiing; snow slushy on top even in woods

MONDAY APRIL 19 1943

Max. +44 Min +28. Sun rises 6 11 Sets 7 54

Cloudy morning. Dull sunshine during part of day. but cloudy in evening
Office 8 30 - 12 45 1 45 - 5 45.
Correspondence. Wrote Dr. H. M. Raup. " H. A. T. Jackson Dr.
Measured 10 ♂ and 10 ♀ adult skulls of Zapus hudsonius from Pancake Bay, Sault region, selecting type and allotype from that lot.
Discussed Synaptomys specimens with Rand, particularly Carnegie Museum specimens they extend the range of S. c. cooperi somewhat, and others link-up with innuitus
8 00 p.m. R.A.M., Ottawa Chapter No. 222, 203rd Regular Convocation M.E.M.° Large attendance from Carleton Chapter. 3 M.E.M. from Carleton Chapter No. 16 gave M.E.M.°. About 50 present

TUESDAY APRIL 20 1943

Max. + 26 Min + 32 Sun rises $6^{:09}$ Set 7^{56}
Cloudy night. Light rain falling at 4^{00} am
turned to snow before 6^{30} am and ground white
Up 6^{30} Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{30} – 5^{40} pm

WEDNESDAY APRIL 21 1943

Max. + 44. Min. + 34. Sun rises 6^{07} Set 7^{57}
Cloudy most of day, but melting a little.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{40} pm
Working most of afternoon on notes for mimeo-graph publication on "Methods of Preserving Animal Specimens for Scientific Purposes."; the first object being to give instructions for members of Major R. H. Ozburn's rodentological survey of Prairie Provinces.
Dr. Rand thinks it not safe to describe Mackenzie Dicrostonyx without seeing more Alaska material.
7^{45} – 11^{15} visited Carleton Chapter. Mr. E. G. [illegible] & Companion recd R. A. degree

THURSDAY APRIL 22 1943

Max. + ~~44~~ +60 Min. + ~~37~~ 29. Sun rises: ~~6 07~~ 6 06 ~~Sets 5 57~~ 7 58

Clear all day. and quite warm. The old snow and ice ridges along sidewalks are lowered considerably

Office 8 30 – 12 25 1 52 – 5 02 pm

Spent most of day writing ms. of Collecting instructions & at typewriter. Miss Hulbert typed 10 revised folios. The Stenographic pool typed about 25 pages of stencil (about 3/8 of copy) for Mammal paper.

Pte. Julien, R.C.A.M.C., at office to see today & I showed him typical Prairie rodents. C.E. Johnson finished drawing for plates of illustrations of Prairie Mammals

Evening 7 30 – working on Mss

FRIDAY APRIL 23 1943

Max. + 65. Min. + 38. Sun rise 6 04 Sets 7 59

Clear all day. Up 7 00 a.m.

GOOD FRIDAY (DOMINION)

Stayed at home all day. The weather had appearance of spring at last and I took off nineteen storm windows (6 in basement, 9 on ground floor, and 4 upstairs) and put up screens. Also took down furnace pipe and cleaned soot from pipes and flues

Big fire down town, the Regal Building, 4 stories, corner of Queen and ~~Gloucester~~ O'Connor Streets, burned all windows. Building was occupied by P.L.O. & an Lt. Col. F. B. Inksetter was burned to death

SATURDAY APRIL 24 1943

Clear all day. Rather warm.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30}pm. Worked most of the forenoon typing draft of Mss. "Instructions for Preserving Animals for Scientific Purposes," and finished 20 folios. Double-spaced.

Miss McKinley, of Stenographic Pool brought down the completed stencils for mimeograph of "A Synopsis of the Rodents of Southern Parts of the Prairie Provinces". I read proof and found only four minor errors, which were corrected by 12 noon. I took the stencils down to J. D. Bannerman and he said he would have his staff begin running them off Monday morning, and might have some copies by noon.

3 – 5^{30}pm At office. Filed some papers and wrote a letter to J D Soper acknowledging receipt of 2 parcels of Zapus specimens.

SUNDAY APRIL 25 1943

EASTER SUNDAY

Max. +65 Min. +43 Sun rose 6^{00} Set 8^{02}
763 at 2^{30}pm

Pretty clear in forenoon. Shovelled some snow off drifts back of house, spreading it on bare ground so it would melt quicker. Clouded up, about 11 am, some thunder and a sprinkle of rain. Clear in afternoon.

Down town in afternoon to get N.Y. Times. Saw Sergt. Julian, R.C.A.M.C. (promoted from Cpl. to Sergt., as Fleming told me later). He will be over at Museum tomorrow before leaving for Calgary. Julian is a graduate in [illegible] Science, O.A.C.

Capt. Fleming at house for supper.

MONDAY APRIL 26 1943

Max. +52. Min. +38. Sunrise

Clear all day. Snow melting fast — even in shade

EASTER MONDAY (BANK & QUEBEC) (Not a holiday now)

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} – 5^{00}

Continued typing on Instructions for Collecting. Condensing and rewriting those of the more important parts of Bull. No. 69 and nearly finished it. 300 copies of Practical Manual Synopsis, mimeographed on 8 x 10" paper, were run off today by Mr. Connell. Sergt. ~~G. H.~~ [illegible] Draughtsman took about 40 prints of plates of line drawings.
8 – 9^{40} pm in at office and wrote a few notes on a subsp. nov. C. [illegible] from Gaspé

TUESDAY APRIL 27 1943

Max. +44 Min. +30 Sun rises: Sets

Cold raw day; Cloudy. +49 in shade at [illegible]

Office 8^{30} – 10^{45} Down to Center Theatre by order to listen to IVth Victory Loan Rally. Mr. Geo. McIlraith M.P. for Ottawa West, spoke.

P.M. Office 1^{30} pm.

Continued work on Instructions for Preserving Specimens.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 28 1943

Max. +52. Min. +35.
Cloudy most of day. Rather cool.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{30} – 5^{35}.

Spent most of day writing Mss. of Instructions for Preserving Animal Specimens for Scientific Purposes. Finished 37 folios double-spaced. Rand has finished work on Genus Synaptomys. We are describing new form from Manitoba and western Ontario.

THURSDAY APRIL 29 1943

Max. +53 Min. +35. Clear day. Cool.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{30} – 5^{40}

Typed one additional page to take in "Instructions" re uses of arsenical soap and formula for same. Took it up to W. P. Daly and he approved it. Also after some argument agreed to look up 12 cuts from Bull. 69 which we could use to make 7 pp. of illustrations for the mimeographed pamphlet, by printing from the engravings in the Little Museum press. A.M. The junior stenographer [illegible] had to begin typing the stencils.
Walked around yard etc. in evening. Ross MacKay called. Now 1st Lt. Artillery in Intelligence Service. Cloudy in evening. Rand finished his Ellesmere

FRIDAY APRIL 30 1943

Max. +42 Min. + 37.
Light rain during early morning hours, and raining most of the day. Up 6:30.
Office 8:30 – 11:45 1:30 – 5.

To Dr. McKeown's office to have him look at molar socket, but he postponed it to next week. Letter to Major O'Brien R.C.A.M.C. and to Capt. ~~[illegible]~~ I. Baldwin, Air Corps. Hdqrs., Minneapolis in answer to his letter re map showing ranges of mammals, birds, fishes, and plants in American Arctic. Further Vols IV-V Ref. C.A.E. Etc.
Discussed Eutamias specimens with Rand, mostly E. amoenus ludib.

6:30 p. Chalmers Men's Association. Last Supper Meeting for spring. Speaker, Mrs. George Black, former M.P. for Yukon on "The Northland, Old and New

SATURDAY MAY 1 1943

Cloudy. Rather cool. Office 8:30 – 1:00 pm
Correspondence. Mr. P.E. Levesque came over with draft of French translation of my paper on "Two New Canadian Hair Seals, with Key to Family Phocidae. Discussed several technical terms in the paper for about an hour.
Rand working on chipmunks.
3 – 5:30 pm. at office. Got out several trays of Red-backed Mice and compared eastern races, also laid out a number of good skulls of each form.
In evening chopped some more ice in back yard, and have it down from about 3 ft. in March to less than one foot in deepest part.

SUNDAY MAY 2 1943

Max. +56. Min. +31. Dull sunshine in forenoon and afternoon. Cool in morning, but warmer later in day. Did some chores around house. Walk from 10-12 a.m. to Ottawa East, Hurdman's Bridge, Rideau to Riverdale and home. Saw English Sparrows, Starlings, Song Sparrows (many), Killdeers, Crows, Grackles, Red-winged Blackbirds, 1 ♂ Downy Woodpecker, 1 Red-bellied Nuthatch. Robins, Heard Canada Geese.

P.M. Saw Brown Creeper on Driveway
Down town to get N.Y. Times

Corporal Fred Glenny, R.C.A.M.C. called in evening. He expects a transfer to U.S.A. service soon. 1st Lieut. Ross MacKay, R.C.A., also called

MONDAY MAY 3 1943

Maximum +42 Minimum +39
Rain during the night. and most of day.
Up 6^{30} - Office 8^{30} - 12^{00} - 1^{40} - 5^{45}
Worked on Quebec Mammals.

TUESDAY MAY 4 1943

Max. +56. Min. +36.
Cloudy most of day.
Corrected Mss. of Quebec mammals.
Downtown at noon and bought 4 pr. wool socks at 40¢ per pair at S.S. Holden's; no lighter weight socks on hand.

Office in evening 8 – 9^{45} pm.

WEDNESDAY MAY 5 1943

Max. +70. Min +31.
Clear day. Warm. Office 8^{30} 12^{30} 2^{30} 5^{30}

THURSDAY MAY 6 1943

Max. +64. Min +47.
Rain in forenoon, but little rain during, and a little more before 6 pm.
Office: 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm
Received corrected French translation of paper on Canadian Hair Seals, and spent some time reading it carefully and comparing it with the English original

FRIDAY MAY 7 1943

Max + 76 Min + 46.
Clear day - Rather warm
Office: 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{50} pm
Down town at noon and bought a pair of [illegible] brown shoes, heavy No. 9½. for $5.75. and a can of Skowhegan boot oil for W.F.
Dr. Rand finished work on chipmunks.
I measured 3 Quebec seal skulls. Re-read translation of seal paper, and sent it with English original to Dr. Gustave Prévost.
8 – 9^{45} pm at office and packed 1 box (grey seal skulls to send Dr. V. Plamondon), and 1 box (2 harbour seals from Dr. D.A. Déry. Sent him for determination
Sent Can. Seals ms. to Dr. Gustave Prévost, Quebec, P.Q.

SATURDAY MAY 8 1943

Sunshine in morning; fairly warm. Clouded up after 9th am Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm
Correspondence: Wrote Dr. V. Plamondon and Dr. D.A. Déry, Quebec, and mailed them seal skulls, Wrote Soper.
The Council has not started printing plates for collecting instructions yet, as he has been busy on blueprinting.

SUNDAY MAY 9 1943

Max. +64 Min. +38
Bright clear day. Up 8^{00} am. Took a walk from about 9^{30} to 11^{30} to Ottawa East, gas works dump near Billings Bridge, Rideau River to Riverdale Av and Echo Drive. Saw Song Sparrows (common), Vesper Sparrows 3 or 4 near gas works), Grackles, Starlings, Red-winged Blackbirds, Cowbirds (pr. 1st), ♂ Downy Woodpecker, Meadowlark, Killdeer. Tree Swallows, martins. English Sparrows, Herring Gull.
Rand saw 1st Cape May Warbler, 1st Baltimore Oriole, in Eastern (Nat. Research Council, after supper.
Corp. Fleming came in evening 9–12 pm. and discussed various matters in his line

MONDAY MAY 10 1943

Cloudy bright morning. Rather cool. Up 6^{30} a.m.
Office 8^{35} – 12^{30} – 1^{50} – 5^{45}
Max. + 67 Min. + 46 Bright sunshine.
during midday hours. Hazy and Cloudy later.
Made some colour notes on specimens loaned
by Major Allan Brooks and Allan Cyril Brooks Jr.
last summer (Loan 42-11). and packed and mailed
7 Thomomys talpoides (6 *okanaganensis* from Okanagan L.,
and 1 *similkameenensis* from upper Nicola River.
Wrote Major Brooks. In afternoon, arranged some pocket
gopher notes. Received 4 *Synaptomys* on loan from
Soper and Rand and placed the 3 Battle Lake (Alta)
specimens with *S. b. borealis*, and the Prince Albert
Park specimen with the new form *S. borealis smithi*.
Returned Zapus hudsonius 4 skins, 12 skulls, to R.O.M.Z.

TUESDAY MAY 11 1943

Max. + 56 Min. + 45.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{45}
Correspondence.

WEDNESDAY MAY 12 1943

Max. +62 Min. +46 Cloudy and cold most of day. Cleared in evening

Office 8^30 – 12^30 – 1^30 – 5^45 p

Returned parcel to J.D. Soper for identity (4 Synaptomys from Saskatchewan and Alberta) To Carnegie 19 specimens of Synaptomys from Northern Quebec and Labrador.

Checked over some notes on Thomomys.

Evening 7^45 – 9^40 At office and read MS. of about 50 typed pages on Studies in B.C. Wildfowl – Mallard By J.A. Munro. Submitted for publication in Canadian Journal of Research.

Fred Fleming was at house late in evening. He expects to leave soon for U.S. (by transfer to Sanitary Corps)

THURSDAY MAY 13 1943

Max. +57 Min. +38. Cloudy forenoon Sunshine at 1^45 pm

Office 8:~~30~~ – 12^15 1^30 – 5^45 p Evening. Dug out [illegible] set new post at N end of yard.

Mr. P.A. Taverner was at Museum in forenoon. He did not call on me, but got Rand to help him get his so-called "personal" library volumes. A considerable proportion of books which were sent in to the National Museum, and should remain there. However, with his usual acquisitive policy, he considered that everything sent in to Museum was a tribute to his personality and genius, and kept them personally. He told me once in 1942 that if the Museum wanted any his books, they need not worry about the regular museum library. He offered them for sale but was turned down. / Dr. Rand says that apparently P.A.T. made no effort to get books placed in the library if he had them himself, and now the library will have to build up again slowly. P.A.T. would probably have sold his books to Dept. Mr. R. at a good price if his brother-in-law McLeish had remained in [illegible]

FRIDAY MAY 14 1943

Max. +60.° Min. +32° Sun rise 5^{33} — set 8^{26} Cloudy morning
Sunshine most of day. To Bank of Montreal at 12^{34} p.m. Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} p.m. 1^{45} – 5^{40}

Mr. Connell delivered 300 finished stapled copies of Instructions for Preserving Animal Specimens for Scientific Specimens. 28 pp. mimeographed with 7 pages of cuts printed on mimeograph paper with captions stencilled and mimeographed – a good job
Sent out about 60 copies (25 to Major Ogburn, R.C.A.M.C.)

SATURDAY MAY 15 1943

Clear weather all day, but rather cool
Office 8^{30} – 1^{05} p.m.
Working on correspondence
Mailed quite a number of copies of Spec. Circular 1943-2, Instructions for Preserving Animal Specimens

Afternoon. 3^{30} p.m. the family took the car out to attend the Palik wedding. Miss Phyllis Palik, C. L. Palik's youngest daughter, married to Flight Sergeant Leese, New Zealand Air Force, at Mackay United Church, Mackay Street
Wedding followed by a reception at Quebec Suite, Château Laurier. Left about 6^{20} p.m.
Cand.-Lieut. Alan S. Murray called in evening. He is on weekend furlough from O.T.C. camp at Brockville, Ontario

SUNDAY MAY 16 1943

Max. +63. Min. +47. Sun rises. 5^{31} – 8^{28}

Rain most of forenoon. Rain stopped in afternoon but sky cloudy. Cleaned up some parts of basement. Dormitory in afternoon & got New York Times. Good accounts of Africa situation in weekly news summary.

Fred Glenny called in evening. I read over his typed mss. on Edible and ~~pois~~ poisonous plants. He has some good sketches of species. He expects it to be mimeographed for use of troops.

MONDAY MAY 17 1943

Max. +61. Min. +40 Sun rises 8^{34} – 8^{29} p.m.

Cloudy most of day

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{50} — 5^{50} p.m.

Walked out to Regional Oil Controller's office 792 Bank Street, corner of Bank St and 3rd Avenue, and got an application blank to send in with one dollar fee to Toronto. This is necessary to get a gasoline ration book for my motor boat.

8^{00} p.m. 214th Reg. Convocation of Algonquin Chapter No. 222 Good attendance. Lt. Col. Tidswell, class received by affiliation from Connaught Chapter, Aldershot. The new Dist. [illegible] received, Fleyes the Dearness of Ottawa

TUESDAY MAY 18 1943

Max +61 Min +46 Sun rises 5^{29} Sets 8^{30}

Cloudy day. Office 8^{30} – 12^{35} 1^{45}

Finished memo giving data on Mss. approved by Branch head; now requires approval by the Office Economy [illegible] Board, which discovers that scientific reprints for distribution to the public come under the same rule as printing for the Department. The inference is that scientific research should be restricted or suppressed as much as possible.

Spent some time working on northern *Sorex* with Dr. Rand

Apparently Manning's broken specimen of shrew from Chesterfield which I took to be of *arcticus-tundrensis* group, has *Sorex cinereus* characters, with colour of tendency. It resembles one from Coronation Gulf *det.* as *cinereus* by H.H.T. Jackson, and is near to one from Aklavik; may be a new form.

WEDNESDAY MAY 19 1943

Max. +67. Min +45. Sun rises 5^{28} Sets 8^{31}

Clear day. Office 8^{30} 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{45}

Correspondence

Did some work on Porcupine manuscript

7^{45} p.m. Chapter of Instruction under auspices of Carleton Chapter. Ottawa and Kitchener Chapters invited.

w. At home in evening, Put marbled paper covers, with leather back and corners on "A Manual of Modern Chess" by Dev-Cunningham, for M.E.A.

THURSDAY MAY 20 1943

Max. +76. Min. +45. Sun rises 5 27 Sets 8 32

Clear most of day. Fairly warm.

Spent some time re-reading Mss. on "Variation in the Porcupine in Canada" by R.M.A. and A.L.R. Made some corrections and revisions and gave it to Miss Hurlbert for re-typing (3 copies, as we expect to submit same to National Research Council); also put in requisition for 2 photographic prints of plate (7 figs), and one distribution map, Racial Porcupines in Canada. Looked up some data in library. Typed a few "Range" paragraphs of new forms on Check-list cards.

Request for statutory leave for one day (May 24th) approved by W.P. Daly. He says that the new regulation re taking travel leave only in middle of week does not apply strictly to Government branch, as it is not enforced, and many Ottawa people have summer residence ~~there~~. Looked over some gear in evening, preparatory to going to Blue Sea Lake next Saturday.

FRIDAY MAY 21 1943

Max. +60 Min. +55 Sun rises 5 26 Sets 8 34

Up 6 30 a.m. Office 8 40 - 12 20 - 1 45 -

Correspondence. Received ♂ ♀ Geomys bursarius from J.D. Soper, who recently caught them a little east of Emerson, Manitoba. Only previous Canadian record, by H.H. Pittman, near Hartney (C.F.Nat.) but specimen not preserved.

To Bank of Montreal at noon hour. Got draft £1. 1s. payable to Zool. Soc. London (Corr. Member) $4.88 including exchange.

Looked over Alaska lemmings with Rand and made comparison. Skulls with rostrum much narrower and a little longer in rubricatus than in Mackenzie and ~~[illegible]~~ trimucronatus.

Mailed application for gas ration book, motor vessel, to Toronto with $1.- fee.

Received notice from Mr. Lynch's office that my term of employment has been extended to June 29. 1944.

Cloudy all day, with occasional misty rain a.m. and p.m.

SATURDAY MAY 22 1943

Slightly cloudy in early morning
Clear morning after 7½ a.m. Hazy continued afternoon
Office 9 a.m. 12

Correspondence. Wrote memo re control of rabbits in gardens, [illegible] region, forwarded by [illegible] Dir.
Wrote H. E. Anthony asking for loan of key collection of Arctic shrews in Am. Mus. Nat. History
Looked over skins of Sorex obscurus (B.C. - Alta. and N.W.T.) with Dr. Rand yesterday afternoon and this morning

C.P.Ry. train, Saturday, Gatineau Branch, leave Ottawa 1 30 p.m. arrive Messines 4:22 p.m. Applied for leave for Monday, May 24th (Civic Holiday this year, but not Civil Service)
arr. Messines 4 30 - to island - Grollinger's boat

SUNDAY MAY 23 1943

Max. +70. Min. +47. Sun rises 5 24 - 8 36 (Ottawa)
at Blue Sea Lake. Up 7 34 a.m. Clear day
Light southwesterly wind

MONDAY MAY 24 1943

Max. +77. Min. +53. Sun rise 5^{23} Set 8^{37} at Blue Sea Lake. Civic Holiday for Ottawa civilians, but not for Civil Service. took the day off from my Statutory Leave. Up 8^{00} a.m.

EMPIRE DAY (DOMINION)

TUESDAY MAY 25 1943

Up 4^{00} a.m. and closed house. Rowed my boat to Gallinger's wharf. Mr. Gallinger gave me a ride to Station in his car. Gatineau train, C.P.R. leaves Messines 5^{21} a.m. arrives Ottawa 8^{15} a.m. arrived 8^{30} a.m. Cloudy, heavy, slight rain at middle of day. Max. +64. Min. +57. Sun rise 5^{22} 8^{38} Office 9^{15}. 12^{30} — 1^{30} — 5^{56} pm

WEDNESDAY MAY 26 1943

Max.+71. Min.+56. Sunrise 5^{21}. Set 8^{34}

Office–8^{30} 5^{30} pm

THURSDAY MAY 27 1943

Max.+65. Min.+57. Sun rise 5^{21} – 8^{40}

Office 8^{30}

FRIDAY MAY 28 1943

Max. +69 Min. +57. Sun rises 5^20 Sets 8^41
Clear most of day
Office 8^30 – 12^15. 1^45 – 5^00
Evening - 8 - 9^45 at Office.. and wrote to H. M. Laing re possibility of field party along Alaska highway
Major R. H. Osborn called and brought over six copies of prelim plate to go with the unbound copies of Synopsis of [illegible] rodents. Took them to the Connell to have them bound

SATURDAY . MAY 29 1943

Office 8^30 – 12^45 pm. Clear day. Rather cool.
Rand had an interview with Mr. Lynch and R. W. Gibson etc. Expedition to be run by N. M. C. (which suits Lynch) and Gibson is to tell Rand what to do. Not an entirely satisfactory arrangement, but Rand will see Lynch Wednesday as long to work out the fine anatomy of it

4^00 pm went to station with M. B. A. and Isabel who went to Montreal to interview Supt of Royal Victoria Hospital tomorrow at 11^00 a.m. re Isabel entering as candidate nurse in the fall
Mowed grass from yard and touched up white tops of fence posts. Painted body of Ford "Brown"

SUNDAY MAY 30 1943

Max.+73 Min. +40 Sun rises 5^{19} Set 8^{42}
Clear all day. Up 8^{00} am.
Cleaned out stovepipe in kitchen and washed the floor afterwards. Put the big ladder in basement through window. Chased up some rabbits in back yard and set out a few plants.
2^{00} pm Dorothy went out bicycling with to Dow's Lake. where they will get a lunch

MONDAY MAY 31 1943

Max.+74 Min.+52 Sun rises: 5^{18} Sets 8^{43}

TUESDAY JUNE 1 1943

Max.+74 Min+55 Sun rises 5^{17} Sets 8^{47}

WEDNESDAY JUNE 2 1943

Max.+82. Min + 62 Sun rises 5^{17} Sets 8^{45}

THURSDAY JUNE 3 1943

Max. + 73. Min. + 59. Sun rises 5^{17} sets 8^{46}

FRIDAY JUNE 4 1943

Max. + 89 Min. + 62 Sun rises 5^{16} sets 8^{47}

Cloudy most of day; very humid

Severe rain, wind and hail storm about 4^{30} pm

Two boys killed by lightning on Bradwood Beach

Off. 8^{30} 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{54} pm 8^{30} – 9^{30} pm

Interview with Lynch and Daly (by Lynch's

request re Rand's field party

SATURDAY JUNE 5 1943

Clear bright day cooler Rather hazy
Regs. Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm
3^{30} – 5 pm

SUNDAY JUNE 6 1943

Max. +61. Min. +41. Sun rises 5^{15}. 8^{48}
Cloudy forenoon, rather cool. Sunshine in afternoon. Cloudy and cool again in evening. Took a walk from about 10 to 12^{30} to Ottawa East and along Rideau River to Riverdale and Echo Drive

MONDAY JUNE 7 1943

Max. +66 Min +50. Sun rises 5^{15} Sets 8^{49}

Cloudy morning. Rather chilly

Office: 8^{45} — 12^{15}, 1^{45}, 5^{30}

Clear day, rather cool.

Received letter from H.M. saying that he cannot go on field work this year on account of pressure of [illegible] work thus disallowing Alaska Highway field party. After suggestions offered by Lynch and Daly, I wrote to Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan at Banff, J.D. Soper and Angus Shortt at Winnipeg. Phoned Hoyes Lloyd and he told me that Cowan is in Banff Park making wildlife studies, and that Soper was leaving P.A. Nat. Park today and would probably be in Winnipeg tomorrow. 6^{30} p.m. Fred H. Glenny took the family out for a Chinese dinner at Canton Restaurant Albert Street, drove to Rockcliffe and Experimental Farm, looked through the Macoun Memorial Garden; plants doing well

TUESDAY JUNE 8 1943

Max. +72. Min +50. Sun rises: 5^{15} Sets 8^{49}

Clear day. Office 8^{30} – 12^{20}, 1^{45} 5^{50}

Dr. Rand received orders to work at [illegible] Victoria Bldg. for instruction tomorrow, et. cet., and Daly said he would sign the attendance sheet there. He is dissatisfied with the idea of going on Expedition with his status unsettled. I think the Dept. would settle matters if higher officials wanted to.

Equipment requisitions for Expedition coming in fast.

Wrote a few letters in answer to enquiries. It is hard to keep up correspondence with various matters coming up in office. Phoned Major R.A. Osborn yesterday and he may come over tomorrow. He went as R.C.A.M.C. entomologist etc. to work with [illegible]. Evening. Used up remainder of brown paint on fence in backyard, and trimmed creepers back a little

WEDNESDAY JUNE 9 1943

Maximum +73 Minimum +46 Sun rose 5^{14} set 8^{50}
Clear, bright morning. Up 6^{46} a.m.
Office 9^{00} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} 5^{30}

Dr. Rand at Parks Branch for most of forenoon. was down town selecting personally, instruments, etc. called for on his requisitions.

Correspondence and filing. Abstracted some valuable notes from a few letters which had been answered but not filed. Mem. of Rangifer paper came back from Director's office, approved by L. L. Bolton

Evening 8^{20} – 10^{30}. Sorted the balance of catalogued specimens 1942-1943, which C. E. Johnson has finished cataloguing and labelling, and put them away in the Mammal range case.
Dorothy had a party at house 8^{30} – 12^{00} for ladies of her Labour office staff

THURSDAY JUNE 10 1943

Max. +73 Min. +46 Sun rose 5^{14} sets 8^{51}
Quite clear in early morning, but hazy later in forenoon
Office 8^{40} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} 5^{30} p.m.

Looked up 12 copies of mimeographed "Investigation into Wild Life Conditions in National Parks (Waterton Lakes, Banff and Jasper) in the Province of Alberta, 1938. By R. M. Anderson. This was never "released for general circulation" as I could not make much use of it. I was informed that the L.P.Z.F. Branch had only one copy left when they sent [illegible]

FRIDAY JUNE 11 1943

Max. +72 Min +51 Sunrise 5^{14} Set 5^{51}
Clear am. Cloudy pm Clear evening
Office 8^{30} –

SATURDAY JUNE 12 1943

Cloudy most of day. Rather warm
Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} pm
Correspondence.
1^{30} pm. Isabel took us to train in car. Dorothy and I left on Gatineau train, with Douglas Carman as our guest. Train stopped at Gracefield about 4^{00} pm by freight train derailed a few miles up the line. After about one hour delay, the C.P.Ry. provided 3 local cars to take passengers to Blue Sea, Messines and Maniwaki. We had a seat in an old crate of a bus with many sacks of mail and about 20 passengers. Arrived at Messines about 6^{30} pm, and walked to landing. Rowed across from Gallingers, to our tent.
Heard loons and occasional Olive-backed thrush.
Light rain in evening and during night.

SUNDAY JUNE 13 1943

Max. + 76. Min. + 66. Sun rises: 5^{13}. Sets. 8^{52}
Ottawa records

At Blue Sea Lake all day. Cloudy in early morning. Clear rest of day. Cleaned spark plugs and chopped a little wood. Dorothy and Mr. Carman took motor boat to Gallinger's and brought back Mrs. A., Isabel and Lieut. Alan S. Purdy, R.C. Artillery, who received his Commission yesterday at Brockville after a course at training School for officers. In afternoon the boys and I cut down six cedars which had been bent over by ice last winter (some 6" to 8" in diameter), piled "lop" and "top" and carried the sticks to badminton court and woodpile. The young people hiked, motor boated and canoed. I rowed around to Buck-a-wee Island but did not get a strike, and lost one hook on rock or snag in shallow water.
Birds extremely scarce. 1 Spotted Sandpiper, Loons in distance. 1 or 2 Crows, 1 Purple Finch (?). One or two Robins. Saw 2 or 3 Red Squirrels, none very near house.

MONDAY JUNE 14 1943

Max + 74. Min + 52. Sun rises: 5^{13} 8^{52}
D.A. and Carman up at 4^{15} a.m. and took canoe to mainland. M.B.A., Isabel and Alan took motor boat to wharf, and brought canoe back after driving to Maniwaki, to buy 2 gals. White Naphtha for Coleman lamps, also some meat (liver, veal hearts and tongues) and some tinned goods, 50 lbs potatoes for $1.20
I sawed and split firewood for about two hours. Later got my old climbing irons and cut off lower limbs of large white birch which have been growing downwards for years, and cutting off view of lake. Alan climbed up the other birch and cut branches off later.
Closed house, and five of us rowed across to Gallinger's. Left Messines about 6^{45} p.m. reaching Ottawa about 9^{30} p.m. Beautiful warm clear day until about 6 p.m. Cloudy evening with a few sprinkles of rain in evening.
Melville O'Neill called at house in evening. He is on embarkation leave R.C.A.F.

TUESDAY JUNE 15 1943

Max. +85. Min. +58. Sunrises 5^{13} Sets 8^{53}

Office: 8^{30} – 12^{30}; 2^{10} – 5^{50} pm. Cloudy day. Humid. Heavy rain about 4^{30} p.m.

Payday. Downtown at noon and paid taxes and water rates on house. \$95.^{05}, a slight decrease from last year's rates.

Working on correspondence. Dr. Rand is getting equipment for his Alaska Highway field party, but he has not been able to locate any suitable assistants yet.

Made entries of a number of newly described subspecies in margins of my office copy of Miller's "North American Recent Mammals 1923".

Lieut. Rudy called at house in evening.

Put new strings on sole leather tabs on Blue Sea Lake Cottage-key-ring.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 16 1943

Max. + 75 Min. + 60 Sun rises: 5^{13} Sets 8^{54}

Clear all day. Fairly warm. Up 6^{30} am

Office: 8^{30} – 12^{10}. 1^{50} –

Filled in 2 questionnaires, one for Biographical Encyclopaedia of the World", and one for "Who's Important" both being prepared by The Institute for Research in Biography," 274 E. 34th St., N.Y. On June 3, 1943, I filled in a similar paper for "Who's Who in the Western Hemisphere" 315 5th Ave. New York. These publications look like an epidemic or a "racket." "There is no obligation of any kind."

Discussed Dr. Rand's two sets of written advice (N.M.C. and Parks Bureau) with Mr. W. P. Daly. Daly says changes may be made in Museum orders to permit Rand's exceptions. The plan shows what work the N.M.C. is interested in but Rand considers that it is impossible to accomplish all the goods [illegible]

THURSDAY JUNE 17 1943

Max. + 72 Min. + 55. Sunrises: 5^{12} Sets: 8^{53}
Cloudy most of day, and atmosphere very humid and heavy. Up 7^{00}. Office 8^{30}-12^{30}-1^{45} 5^{40}
Threatening rain at noon. Light showers in afternoon, and heavy downpour from 5 ~~40~~ to about 6^{00} p.m.
I was going home in middle of shower, and got soaked up to knee by drip from waterproof coat.
Made some abstracts re mammal from letters and filed some papers. Resumed working on the field equipment and trying to cut down the Estimate from \$3000 to \$1000, with a lot of variations between branches involved.
Home in evening. Dorothy making arrangements to get Chester taken in town. Cornelius leaving with friends for a house party at our cottage.

FRIDAY JUNE 18 1943

Max. + 78 Min. + 58 Sunrises: 5^{13} Sets: 8^{54}
Clear morning. Up 6^{30}. Office 8^{30}- 12
Correspondence. Letter from K. Racey. Wrote him acknowledging reply asking his opinion re the going on [illegible] Yukon field party. Letter from Angus H. Shortt. (St. Vital, Man.) stating that he can not help us in getting assistants for [illegible]

SATURDAY JUNE 19 1943

Clear most of day, but rather humid and threatening rain at times.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} Correspondence and transcribing mammal notes from unfinished correspondence.

Home in afternoon until after 3^{2}. Nellie and Dorothy started to a movie, but were afraid of rain and called instead on the Howard Kennedys, and Berry's, Rockcliffe.

3^{30} – 5^{40} – At Office. Hunted up some old papers and tried to figure out my Income Tax on Form , for year ending Dec-31st-1942. It is an extremely difficult and complicated task, with so many cross references, obscure footnotes, deductions with a string to most of them, and a threatening array of extra charges, penalties for errors or omissions. It is a crossword puzzle for a medium-salaried man with very little additional income or savings, and I do not see how any business man can do it. Most of them hire a certified accountant and tell him to go to it.

SUNDAY JUNE 20 1943

Max. +87. Min. +63. Sun rises 5^{14}. Sets 8^{54}

Clear most of day, with some threatening clouds at times. I wrapped and tied 3 large baskets of magazines and papers for Eastern Arctic posts of Royal Can. Mtd. Police. Isobel went out to Elizabeth Rogers' house, Billings Bridge, afternoon and evening. Dorothy returned from her house-party at Blue Sea Lake on evening train, reports a glorious time, but the hostess had to do most of the housework.

MONDAY JUNE 21 1943

Max. + 78 Min + 54 Sun rises: 5^{14} Sets 8^{34}

Clear morning. Fairly cool. Up 6^{35} am

Office 8^{30} - 12^{25} 1^{40} - 5^{45}

Correspondence and filing. Rand sent Ms-typed and letter said that he hopes to get approval of Alaska Highway trip today.

The Elgin Window Cleaning Co. with a crowd of young French youths kept out doing in an uproar like fashion, with loud conversation and tramping around. They went onto Herbarium Hall in afternoon leaving it only about half done.

Hunted up one good skin and skull each of Microtus minor and Microtus townsendii cummingi, for Kenneth Racey.

8^{00} pm 115th Regular Convocation of Ottawa Chapter, No. 222. R.A.M. Good attendance. Past 1st Z. Mildren congratulated on promotion to Lt. Col. Dental Corps

TUESDAY JUNE 22 1943

Max. + 83 Min + 64. Sun rises 5^{14} Sets 8^{54}

Clear day warm. Office 8^{30} 12^{00} 1^{45} 5^{45} pm

Rec'd P.C. order that new position Associate Zool. 2820-3420 created in lieu of Ornithologist. Effective from April 1943.

Mr. Watson, former Toronto Univ. Graduate who did botanical field work with Dr. M. O. Malte in Alberta and Eastern Provinces, phoned today. He is working with Dr. Grace in National Research Council. He came in in afternoon to look up specimens of Asclepias (milkweed) and found one rare specimen from Lambton Co. Ont. in Nat. Herbarium (said to be in no other Canadian Herbarium.

Evening. Typed address for about 80 bundles of magazines for 6 R.C.M.P. posts (Craig Harbour, Pond Inlet, Pangnirtung, Lake Harbour, Chesterfield, and Labrador (?)

M.B.A. and Isabel out of town 11 – 6^{30} pm

WEDNESDAY JUNE 23 1943

Max. + 79 Min. + 52 Sun rises 5^{14} Sets 8^{54}

Clear morning. Rather cool. Up. 6^{25} a.m.

Office 8^{30} – 12

Wrote memo. and sent in with invoice of 2 specimens to be sent in Exchange to Kenneth Racey. Did some work filing. I picked up a skull of red squirrel (T. h. Columbiensis #1134 Racey collection (Cover returned), also one skin and skull of Microtus minor from Manitoba (asked for by Racey), and skin and skull of Microtus townsendii laingi one of the paratypes collected for the N.M.C. by Racey in 1935. Phoned R.C.M.P. adjutant re Blake and he sent a constable with car for Arctic mail at 7 p.m.

Spent a good part of the day working out Income tax puzzles. It is a maze of muddled language with a multitude of cross references, exceptions, etc. The general public impression is that the exceptions and deductions are so papered that few people will be able to take advantage of them. Business firms will probably get a [illegible] accountant to unravel their returns [illegible]

THURSDAY JUNE 24 1943

Max. + 88 Min. + 58. Sun rises 5^{15} Sets 8^{54}

Clear day – warm

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (QUE.) Office 8^{30} – 12^{00}. 1 to 5^{40}

Correspondence. Etc. Downtown at noon to get data from Office of Excelsior Insurance Company re No. and other details of my policy. The Income tax form asks for a lot of data on same, and warns victim to be careful, as the Finance Co. will check it with the Insurance Co. Went over to Sutherland & Parkins, Opticians and have my pince-nez straightened. Both lenses have been cracked at inner edge where the glass is perforated, and I may have to get a new pair soon.

I thought I had worked out the so-called (popularly so-called) jig-saw puzzle of Income Tax for T1.9? Went down at noon to get receipt for (1942) payments to Associated Medical Services, Inc. (payments for 3 @ 6^{50} per month = 78^{00}. Thus that receipt has to be obtained from Toronto to cover only amount actually paid out by the head office at Toronto.

FRIDAY JUNE 25 1943

Maximum +90. Minimum +65. Sun 5^{15}, 8^{54}

Clear all day: slightly hazy towards evening. Atmosphere very humid. Office 8^{30}-12^{30} 1^{30}-5^{45}

Correspondence and filing. Official approval recd for sending specimens to K. Racey and same were mailed. Dr. Rand began to repack his equipment on a smaller scale, as last official orders is that he will have no assistant or cook, and will be attached to Prof. M. Y. Williams field party on Liard River. He is much disgusted at the situation which has arisen, — working for the branch (that includes Nat. Museum — with equipment camouflage for the day of John Macoun who, as he says "worked the field plains with a feather in his hair". Well good enough for his time but now out of date.

Dr. Donald C. G. Mackay called in evening. He is back at Storrs, Conn. and is in Ottawa settling late mother's estate. He was on sabbatical leave at Univ of Hawaii at time Pearl Harbor was bombed by Japanese

SATURDAY JUNE 26 1943

Cloudy morning, somewhat cooler. But humid. Up 6^{30} a.m. Office 8^{30} -

SUNDAY JUNE 27 1943

Maximum +84 Minimum +58. Sunrises: 5^{16} Sets: 8^{54}
Very warm, sultry day. ~~H~~ Light rain about 7 pm and heavy showers at intervals up to midnight and later. In forenoon bright and sunny, and I did some trimming of branches on lilac, and snowball shrub south of house. Down town in afternoon and got Sunday N.Y. Times: For the first time some of the military critics, like Hanson W. Baldwin, admit that the war is going favorably, at least there is no actual danger of defeat

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett brought over a heavy bundle of Saturday Evening Post with no missing number from middle of June 1942 to June 12th 1943.

MONDAY JUNE 28 1943

Max +76 Min +56 Sun rises 5^{17} Sets. 8^{54}
Cloudy morning. Light rain during forenoon, ceasing before noon, but sprinkling again by 1^{30} pm
Office 8^{45} - 12^{15}. 1^{30} — 5^{30}

Wrapped and addressed 23 bundles of magazine ~~and~~ addressing them to Officer Commanding Labrador Detachment Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Labrador" ~~Detachment~~ (locality unknown) Phoned the Adjutant, Insp. Blake, and he said he would send a car to house for them to call after 6^{00} pm today. A. Ross

TUESDAY JUNE 29 1943

Max.+71. Min+58. Sunrises 5^{17} Ss 8^{57}

I received a notice from Mr. Lynch that the Treasury Board had notified the Department (P.C) that authorization had been given to extend my service another year, terminating June 29th, 1944.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 30 1943

Max.+63. Min.+47. Sun rise 5^{18} Set 8^{54}.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{45}. 5^{30}

Correspondence. and other museum business

THURSDAY JULY 1 1943

Max. + ~~72~~ 74. Min. + ~~55~~ 48 Sun rises 5^{18} Set 8^{54}

Clear day. Rather warm

DOMINION DAY (DOMINION). Today is supposed to be a legal holiday, but the Director's Office phoned me about 4^{00} pm. that the Department must keep office open with skeleton staffs. I volunteered to stay alone. Morning mail brought in 19 galleys of proof of two articles from Dr. Gustave Rallé, Sec'y, Provancher Society, Quebec, "Nom. Addenda to List of Quebec Mammals, with description of Six New Forms." and "Two New Seals from Arctic Canada, with key to Canadian Races of Hair Seals Genus Phocidae", in both English and French

FRIDAY JULY 2 1943

Max. + 79. Min. + 53. Sun rises. 5^{18}. Set 8^{53}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} 1^{00} – 5^{45}. Clear morning but cloudy at noon.

9^{30} am Called up Mr. P.-E. Levesque, chief translator of Department of Mines and Resources, and then took my Provancher Society proofs to his office in Transportation Building (Second floor). He said he could read the French proof carefully and make translations of some short "résumés" I brought them.

SATURDAY JULY 3 1943

Cloudy most of day.

Office 8^{30} — 4^{00} pm

Correspondence, etc. Dr. Rand has his plans fairly well made to leave for Dawson Creek B.C. on Tuesday night, July 6th. His plans for cooperation with R.C.A. Med. Corps have fallen through, and he will have to be attached to Geological field parties led by Prof. M.Y. Williams and Dr. C.S. Lord. He is thoroughly dis-satisfied and disgusted by the way ~~the~~ the plans have been worked out, and does not seem very optimistic about the prospects of getting ~~some~~ much scientific work done.

Office 3 – 5^{30} pm. Rearranged the Key to Canadian Phocidae. Cut the paragraphs and pasted them up in a different order, making a key to four genera represented, and another key for the eight races of the genus Phoca, both English and technical names.

SUNDAY JULY 4 1943

Max. +70. Min. +64. Sun rise. 5^{20} Set 8^{54}

Cloudy all day. Went out for a few minute walk in forenoon, but came home soon, as rain threatened. Rain in afternoon and evening.

Read the proofs of Journal of Mammalogy paper, checking carefully on the figures in table of skull measurements of 15 races of Canadian wolves. I measured all the wolf skulls last October and November. Dr. Davis promised to print in Feb. 1943 (Vol. 24, No. 2) number & I got Ms. to him by Nov. 15th but it was crowded out and he writes that he will run it in August 1943 (the Glover M. Allen Memorial Number)

MONDAY JULY 5 1943

Max. +79. Min +62. Sun rises. 5^{30}. Sets 8^{54}

Off.: 8^{30} 12^{30} 2^{00} 5^{45} pm

Finished proofs, four galleys, 1 plate (map), of my paper on "Summary of the Large Canadian Wolves with Description of three new Races." and sent them back to Dr. W. B. Davis, Editor Journal of Mammalogy with order for 250 reprints with covers *11.25, and 50 without covers gratis. Discussed reprints with Lynch, Daly, McLellan and Sloan. The publication was approved by Director of Mines and Geology Branch (Publ. Bu...) but he has no authority to purchase reprints, which have to be requisitioned on a separate form to be approved (or disapproved) by the Treasury Board

TUESDAY JULY 6 1943

Max. +74. Min +53 Sun rises. 5^{21}. 8^{53}

Clear most of the day, clouding up a little around noon, but no rain

Off.. 8^{30} - 12^{20} - 1^{45} 5^{45}.

Spent some time on Provancher Society proofs, 19 galleys. I have been delayed with these by the Journal of Mammalogy paper on Canadian wolves having "priority." Rand got his baggage away by noon and leaves 10^{55} pm. for Edmonton.

July 7. Returned proofs of two papers to Dr Gustave Ratte, Sec'y of Provancher Society of Natural History

WEDNESDAY JULY 7 1943

Max. +79 Min. +53 Sun rises: 5^{22} Set: 8^{53}

Clear day. Fairly warm

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} 2^{00} – 5^{45}

Spent most of morning clearing up the Mammal room, which was somewhat disarranged by Rand's packing. Lieut. Tom H. Manning R.C.N.V.R. called at 2^{15} pm and got some collecting equipment he had asked for. (dissecting set, without scissors) arsenical soap, alum, 1 roll absorbent cotton, 1 roll fine batting, 70 Ideal 32's (old style, loaded) 100 .32 Remington, 3 boxes 16 ga (10–12 Dust), + 1296 [illegible] "Ideal" .32. 4 [illegible] Ideal and 1 Remington .30 aux. [illegible]

Rec'd letter from S. J. Cook, Secretary National Research Council, stating that paper by Rand & myself "Variation in the Porcupine in Canada" had been examined by reviewing committee and accepted

THURSDAY JULY 8 1943

Max. +83 Min. +57. Sun rises: 5^{22} Sets 8^{53}

Clear forenoon. Cloudy afternoon. Southerly breeze – Clear Eve.

Office: 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{55} – 6^{50} pm. 8^{00} – 9^{30} pm worked on Porcupine Ms

Spent most of forenoon revising copy of Porcupine paper, arranging two tables of measurements to secure uniformity. Miss H. re-typed page 8 and 11.

The little clerical Frère Crète, of Montreal, P.Q., "Director, curator, taxidermist, labourer, etc." of the Museum at Institute for Deaf and Dumb, called again, thanking me for courtesies extended during week. He has been studying museum methods.

I had made plans to go up to Blue Sea Lake this evening and come down with Dorothy Sunday night but M.B.H. decided yesterday that she and Isaak would drive up Saturday afternoon and drive back Monday evening, and I changed my plans

FRIDAY JULY 9 1943

Max. +87 Min. +61 Sun rises: 5^{23} Sets. 8^{52}
Hazy bright morning. Warm. Up 6^{40} am
Office 8^{40} – 12^{30} 2pm 5^{50} pm Hot and humid

Took 6 shirts to Sanitary Laundry. They say perhaps finished in one week. The last time I had to go 3 or 4 times, and only got laundry after about 2½ weeks. Apparently frequent turnover and inefficient and heedless employees are running the business. Anybody can get a job and is not afraid of being "fired" for anything. Customers are not in the picture.

Finished revise of proofs suggested by S. J. Cook. (Asst. Res. Cons. and MSS returned.

Mr. and Mrs. Birchwood and their 16 year old son called at house in evening. They are Polish refugees. Mr. Birchwood worked in Bermuda before coming here. The boy was in Ashbury College last year

SATURDAY JULY 10 1943

Hazy bright forenoon. Rather warm. Up 6^{30} am
Office 8^{30} – 12
Sent out several envelopes See earlier with 43-1 and 43-2

Wrote Hon. Geo. Black re Yukon material, and offered to send him some extra copies of Sp. Contrib. 43-2 if he could use them
Mr. McLellan came down to see about progress in Check List of Canadian Mammals. He thinks the proof of typewriter Can do [illegible]
2^{00} pm Time fixed for starting for Blue Sea Lake. The gravel road was rather rough and dusty. Arrived Messines about 5^{30} pm. Car stalled just East of Ry track. Mr. Seybold's car gave us a boost over the track, but we stopped again at edge of woods. Got Mr. Latourelle from the garage to come down and take car to Messines for repairs. to be Ready at 5.30 pm on Monday
Invasion of Sicily began today. Many Canadian troops involved

Mr. La Tourelle found that oil feed of car over-clogged; repaired this, tightened up all bolts etc., put in 3 gallons of gas. Bill $4.06, about half of Ottawa price. He also cleaned the car.

SUNDAY JULY 11 1943

Max. +90. Min. +66. Sun rises: 5^{25} – (Ottawa Rec.) 8^{51}

Up about 7^{00} am. Clear all day and very warm.

I got the long 2 inch ashwood springboard out of boat house and put it on the diving platform. The water is still within 3 or 4 inches of top; very high for this time of the year. Dorothy with her guest Gwynneth Sketon and Isabel with her guest Elizabeth Rogers took the motor boat to ~~the~~ Anglican Chapel. Archdeacon Snowden conducted the services. Had a good rest in afternoon. Dorothy and Gwynneth went to town on 6^{30} pm. Rowed out to fish until 9 pm. Caught one bass about 2½ lb. near lot 15-16, 1 3 lb. and 3 or four from ¾ to 1 lb., 4 perch and 1 fieldhead (carp) near Elliott Island. Calm evening. Occasional Olive-backed thrush seen; White-throated Sparrow. 1 bass had a perch minnow in stomach, and two had 2 crayfish each. Caught on small fly spinner and the others on red maurice angleworms. Lovely evening. Family of half-grown red squirrels in yard, but do not come very near house. A snowshoe rabbit seen around house; adult, with coat clearly brownish (virginianus).

Loons seen and heard on lake frequently.

MONDAY JULY 12 1943

Max. +88. Min. +72 Sun rises: 5^{26} Ottawa Rec. Sets 8^{50}

At Blue Sea Lake. Up 5^{00} am. Sun rising red with sky dull. Rowed out about 5^{40}: around East end of island. Caught one 12-inch bass on small fly spinner near lots 15-16 and three more near sunken rocks north of Elliott Island (the latter on worms): also few

Spent most of forenoon and part of afternoon fixing old homemade table by cutting a hole for new kitchen sink (bought at Messier's last fall), connecting from 5-dollar basin and upright 2-inch drain pipe running across through hole bored in floor. Dug a ditch to drain water down hill.

Light rain from about 2 to 5^{30} pm at Blue Sea Lake, but rain ceased about 6^{00} pm. Isabel took the others across lake in motorboat, came back to island for me and we rowed across. Left Messier's about 6^{30} pm, arrived Ottawa about 9^{45}. Saw Sparrowhawk and one of Marsh Hawk ~~also~~ on way to town

TUESDAY JULY 13 1943

Max. + 89. Min. + 65 – Sun rises 5^{26} – 8^{52}.
Clear all day. Humid. A little thunder about
10^{30}. Office 8^{30} – 12^{10} 1^{45} p.m. – 5^{34} pm
Correspondence and filing. Miss McKinley,
head of the stenographic and typing pool called
on me at request of Mr. MacLellan, to make arrangements
to do typing of Check List of Canadian Mammals
which I have on 5" x 8" cards
Mr. Patch is making a glue-plaster model of Labrador
Duck, an extinct N.A. Bird, for Exhibition.

Home all evening. Read 2 numbers of Life and the
news section of New York Times.

WEDNESDAY JULY 14 1943

Max. + 87 Min + 68 Sun rises. 5^{28} Sets 8^{49}
Up 7^{00} am Clear. Hazy and partly clouded
in forenoon. Office 8^{40} – 12^{10}. 2^{00} – —
Wrote memo re collecting permit for big game mammals in
northern B.C. by Dr. Rand for Mr. MacLellan, who is
substituting for W.P. Daly now on leave. The B.C. Game
Commission, as usual, stalls over N.M.C. permits and
wants to cut them down a bit
Two boys brought in a brightly coloured Polyphemus Moth
(Telea polyphemus) for determination. Mailed N.Y. Times News
Summary to Lt. A. L. Pinay, R.C.A.
Evening. Cut grass in yard, and watered yard, as well
as spraying Insect from Cal. Thunderstorm and rain 8^{30} – 9.
11 pm went out with flashlight and picked up ca. 15 dewworms

THURSDAY JULY 15 1943

Max. +86 Min. +63 Sun rises 5^{29} Sets 8^{48}
Up 6^{30} a.m. Clear and refreshingly cool after the heavy rain last night. Office 8^{40} - 12^{10} - 1^{00} - 5^{45}

Most of my hollyhocks in full bloom now; a great variety of color from white, various shades of red, to dark maroon.

Shipped Dictionary of [illegible] (Items 43-47) return to Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia

Took take-down reel down to [illegible] at home, and Mr. Grant assembled it without charge.

Spent about 2 hours in evening trying to disentangle a good [illegible] fish'g line, which caused me trouble last week.

FRIDAY JULY 16 1943

Max. + 77 Min. + 57 Sun rises 5^{30} Sets 8^{47}.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30}. 1^{00} – 5^{35}

Correspondence.

Home all evening. A. S. [illegible] phoned in evening and he decided to go to the lake tomorrow. I shall try to get Monday off and stay over.

SATURDAY JULY 17 1943

Cloudy morning. Cool. Up 6.00 am
Office 8.35 - 12.00.
Correspondence

House party going to Blue Sea Lake: M.B.A., Isabel and Dorothy, Dr. Alan S. Purdy and Douglas Carman of National Research Council

~~Left Ottawa~~ on 1.30 pm train, arriving at Messines about 5.04 pm. Dorothy and Douglas rowed boat across and brought back motor boat. and we got to Big Island about 6.34 pm. Chopped a few of the birch branches we lopped off in June and got some good firewood

SUNDAY JULY 18 1943

Max. +85. Min. +62. Sun rises 5.32. Sets 8.46 (Ottawa Off. Time)
Clear all day. Rather warm. The young people rowed across to Brennan place and climbed Mont St Jacques. They brought back about 1½ pints of wild raspberries, as well as eating all they wanted. I stayed at the house, widening the drain trench to get a better angle and coupled a 24-ft. length of 2" pipe on the L at turn. Trimmed and pulled some weeds around badminton court (mostly jewel-weed, daisies, ferns, and a few small thistles.
M.B.A., Isabel and Alan went to Ottawa on 6.31 train pm
I left house about 7 pm with rowboat. No strikes around Big Island (west side) or near Ellard Shore. So I fished in ~~a~~ a large black and white 'plug' that Harry Allen left about 15 years ago. Got one small-mouthed bass near mouth of Ellard Creek. Was 17 inches from tip of nose to tip of tail. Two smaller ones in there

MONDAY JULY 19 1943

Ottawa Journal Weather

Max. +75. Min. +54. Sun rises 5^{33}. Sets 8^{45}

(At Blue Sea Lake.) Up 4^{10} a.m. Rowed Dorothy and D. Carman to Gillinger's wharf. 5^{05} a.m. They went to Ottawa on 5^{21} a.m. train. Rowed back near north side of lake as far as Veit's place, then across lake to Lot 18. No strike by lake trout, but I snagged a few weeds in shallow N. shore

Covered drain pipe trench with dirt shovelled back, plus some sawings of rotten sawdust front of woodshed

Carried old culls of slabs from boathouse and sawed same into stove lengths in afternoon, as well as taking off boat motor, draining and putting it away

Rowed to mouth of Elliott Creek about 7^{30} – 9 p.m. but did not get a strike by any kind of fish. Got supper about 10 – put away stuff and to bed about midnight

TUESDAY JULY 20 1943

Max. +82. Min. +58. Sun rises: 5^{34}, Sets 8^{44}

Cloudy forenoon. Clear afternoon.

Office 9^{00} a.m. – 12^{15}. 2^{00} – 5^{45} p.m.

Correspondence. 19 pp. galley proof rec'd from Dr. Rutter yesterday. Read same today and put in afternoon mail about 4 p.m. Rec'd Mss. back from Nat. Research Council with some suggestions (Porcupine variations) ~~Rowed Dorothy and Douglas Carman to wharf 5^{05} a.m.~~ Rolled back ~~Breeze from W. Completed covering~~ drain trench. Sawed slabs of slab in afternoon

Blue Sea Lake

Woke up at 3^{45} a.m. Raining a little. Alarm went off about 4^{00} a.m. Shaved and picked up things around house, and Rodency

Rain ceased and I locked boat house, and rowed across lake. 4^{50} to 5^{05} Left boat at Gillinger's with 1 Gladstone bag and one basket of grub – arriving about 5 minutes before train arrived. Left Messines 5^{21} a.m. Arr. Ottawa about 8^{20} a.m.

Very tired in evening. Lay down on couch about 7^{30} p.m. and slept until 11 p.m. Went to bed and slept steadily for 7 hours more

M.B.A. lost set from ring (J.E.G.) in morning.

WEDNESDAY JULY 21 1943

Max. +79 Min. +56 Sun rises 5^{35} Sets 8^{43}

Clear morning. Clouded and hazy around noon.

Up. 6^{30} am. Office 8^{30} - 12^{15}, 1^{45}

Spent most of forenoon looking up matters brought up by Dr. W.W. Thomson, re paper on "Variation in the Porcupine (Genus Erethizon) in Canada"; Quite a number of changes suggested to bring Mss. into form used in Canadian Journal of Research:

Letter from Frère Crête , Montreal thanking us for courtesies during his recent visit, also asking for various kinds of specimens as gifts or loans

Miss Hurlbert applied for afternoon off (Statutory leave.)

In evening caught up on "News" reading, Sunday N.Y. Times, news summary and mag. sections; also other papers of past weekdays

THURSDAY JULY 22 1943

Max. +77 Min. +60 Sun rises. 5^{36} Sets 8^{42}

Cloudy morning. Light rain during night but clear in afternoon and evening

Office 8^{30} - 12^{10} - 1^{45} 5^{45}

Spent most of day checking "references" in Mss "Variation in the porcupine (Genus Erethizon) in Canada"

In looking over references found that I had overlooked Microtus vellerosus J.A. Allen (A.M.N.H. Bull. 19, 1903, pp.

In evening cut grass around house

FRIDAY JULY 23 1943

Max. + 82 Min. + 57. Sun rises: 5^{37} Sets 8^{41}
Clear, bright morning. Up 6^{30}. Clear all day
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{45} – 5^{50} pm

Continued revision of Porcupine Mss, and spent most of day on it, checking all the references, getting the total pagination of article in question for "References" list and the actual page numbers of citations mentioned in text. I did most of these before, but could not be certain of Dr. Rand's work on same. Some of the stuff had been typed three times, giving leeway for errors.

M.B.K. and J.G. out of town 10 — 7 pm

SATURDAY JULY 24 1943

Hazy bright morning. A little cooler. Up 6^{40}
Office 8^{30} – 1^{05} pm.

Spent most of morning correcting, verifying, and typing inserts to take into Porcupine manuscript. 3 – 5^{30} pm At Office, and finished typing "References". Pasted up all inserts.

x At Alan S. Pardy at house for dinner, — went out with Isabel later. He went back to Petawawa at 1^{00} am

Received postcard from Dr. A. L. Rand, postmarked Muskwa, B.C., July 19th, 1943: "Arrived this far – expect to contact Williams in next day or two."

SUNDAY JULY 25 1943

Max. +84 Min. +64. Sun 5^{39} Set 8^{39}

Clear all forenoon. Hazy sunshine in afternoon, very sultry and humid.

Heavy shower with thunder and lightning about 6 pm.

In forenoon, cleaned out wood compartment in basement, put up some skis and skiing outfits. Took a lot of my clothing which had been hanging in closet all summer, and inspected them for moths. Moths were virtually absent in house and office until a few weeks ago, and no signs of damage yet. Hung clothes up on line in sun for several hours and then put them away in white cotton bags hanging in closet. R.G. and Isabel went out with [illegible] and Thomas Dell to swim in Pelican [illegible] —

Max. + 87 MONDAY Min. +62 JULY Sun rises 5^{40} 26 1943 Set 8^{38}

Clear morning, cooler. Up 6^{30} a.m.

Office 8^{30} — 11^{30} 1^{30} — 5 ~~4^{45}~~ Clear most of day. Shower 5^{45}–6^{15} pm

Took 1 coat & 1 pr. flannel trousers to Martin's

Wrote letter to Wm. Thomson in regard to questions raised by him re Porcupine Mts., and returned them by this forenoon's mail

11^{30} a.m. Had eyes examined by Dr. Ells. My long-focus (18-inch) glasses for museum work has right lens cracked, and both lenses of my reading glasses pince-nez have inner edges cracked and needed replacement. Dr. Ells said that my reading glasses do not need different lenses. The right eye has a slight cataract at the cornea, but nothing to cause worry, and the same glasses prescription of last year (bifocal) and the old prescription of several years, of focus all right. The 18-inch focus prescrip. of (1928) needed slight change

11^{30} a.m. Dr. R.H. Ells. 278 Lisgar. For examination of eyes (prior to replacing broken lenses).

TUESDAY JULY 27 1943

Max.+79 Min.+60 Sun rose: 5^{41} Sets: 8^{37}
Hazy morning. Rain during the night. Rain again 12^{00} - 1^{00} pm. Office 8^{30} - 12^{15} 1^{30} pm - 5^{45} pm

Correspondence. Wrote Rand (Muskwa B.C.)

Straightened out matter of reprint B.C. [illegible] (Rand) order placed by Stationery Office with [illegible] & [illegible] (book dealers) to get reprints from publishers of the [illegible]. T.Z.A. advised that order received too late, but publisher could supply a photolithograph copy at a higher price. The situation is, that Rand ordered 300 separates as they were sent to him early in June, and application to pay bill paid by Dept were apparently filed about the same time. Settled by T.Z.A. sending to [illegible] Press for bill. We shall certify receipt of goods, and then Stationery Branch will pay bill at its [illegible] time for paying accounts.

WEDNESDAY JULY 28 1943

Max.+78 Min.+56 Sun rose: 5^{42} Sets: 8^{36}
Clear morning. Cooler. Up. 6^{45} am.

Office 8^{30} —

Correspondence. Rec'd letter from Chas. M. B. Cadwalader, President, Acad. Nat. Sc. Phila., acknowledging receipt of last Dicrostonyx specimens returned. As many as 9 members of his staff are absent with the armed forces and some 10 others of staff and trustees are absent in various capacities for the U.S. Govt.

THURSDAY JULY 29 1943

Max. + 79 Min + 55 Sun rises: 5^{44} Sets 8^{34}
Clear and warm. As usual clouded up a bit around noon
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} to 5^{45}

FRIDAY JULY 30 1943

Max. + 84 Min + 60. Sun rises: 5^{45} Sets 8^{33}
Clear and warm
Office 8^{30} / 12^{20} 1^{20} – 5^{40}
Spent most of afternoon cutting, pasting together digits, and attaching same to storage cases

In evening ~~watered~~ cut grass in yard, and scattered some fertilizer (McDonald's) in some sections

SATURDAY JULY 31 1943

Bright clear day. Rather warm
Office 8^{30} — 1^{00} pm
Correspondence. Trimmed some large numbers for cases and stuck No.'s 55 to 90 on with 'Duco.'
3^{20} – 5^{45} pm. At office and finished job of numbering specimen cases; up to No. 100.
Received letter in forenoon from Dr A. L. Rand
He left Ottawa July 6, arrived Edmonton July 9th, and Dawson Creek, B.C. on July 10th, and U.S. Army started him along on July 11th. He reached Dr. M. Y. Williams' field party on Alaska Highway July 19th, 114 mile N. of Nelson

SUNDAY AUGUST 1 1943

Max. + 87. Min. +61 Sun rise 5:^{47} Set 8^{31}
Clear day, somewhat hazy in afternoon, and humid. +88 in shade on Elgin St. at 2^{00} pm
In forenoon did some work around the home
P.m. Got Sunday New York Times and read News summary, book review and magazine section. In evening read several sections of "Books I have Liked" by Clifford Fadiman

Civic Holiday. Stores closed, but Govt. offices open

MONDAY AUGUST 2 1943

Max. + 92 Min. + 66 Sun rises: 5^{48} Set 8^{30}
Cloudy morning, with slight hazy sunshine at times
Office 8^{30} 12^{30} - 1^{40} 5^{15}
Correspondence. Finished numbering storage cases. Day very sultry and humid; rather cloudy. Phone message at 4^{15} pm. that civil servants could go home (account of holiday. Wind fairly strong from south all day

Heavy rain began about 11^{00} pm with sharp thunder and lightning. Quite a heavy rain

TUESDAY AUGUST 3 1943

Max. + 78 Min. + 62 Sun rises: 5^{49} Set 8^{28}
Clear day, cooler. Up 6^{30} am
Office 8^{30} - 12^{15} pm. 1^{50} - 5^{25} pm.
Downtown at noon to make deposit in Cdn. Savings & McDonald's and bought 1 lb. box of lawn grass seed and sowed it in yard
2^{30} pm. Mr. A. Doyle, Montreal press photographer came to office and took three negatives of me at my desk

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 4 1943

Max. + 66 Min. + 58 Sun rises: 5^{50} Sets: 8^{27}
Cloudy morning. Cooler. Light rain in ~~forenoon~~ Clearing in evening
Office 8^{45} — 12^{20} – 1^{45} – 5^{40}

Mr. A. Doyle, Press Photo Bureau, 1117 St. Catherine St. W. HAr-0766, Montreal, brought over three ~~negatives~~ photos taken yesterday. (A. Doyle. 2-5508). Ordered ½ doz. @ 2^{50} and gave him a cheque.

Correspondence. Answered four letters on miscellaneous subjects sent down from Room No 310

Provincial Election today. (Thursday morning report that only 45% of voters turned out. The Nixon (Liberal) Government defeated. Prog. Con. 38, C.C.F. 33, Lib. 14.)

THURSDAY AUGUST 5 1943

Max. + 79 Min. + 56 Sun rises 5^{52} Sets 8^{25}
Clear morning. Cooler. Up 6^{30}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{20}. 1^{40} pm – 5^{45} pm

Correspondence. etc. Cleared out two 4-drawer wooden filing cases for 3"×5" cards, to be used for card file of "Authors" and "Titles" of reprints, separates, etc. of mammal papers in file. Rearranged some other files to make more room.

8 – 9^{30} pm. At office and wrote letter to W. [illegible] re G. K. [illegible]

10^{00} a.m. Dr. G. S. McKeown, dentist. Examined teeth. Made preparations for bridge replacing 2nd upper left molar, by grinding down and smoothing adjoining teeth on each side.

FRIDAY AUGUST 6 1943

70

Max. +70 Min. +54 Sunrise 5^{53} Sets 8^{27}
Clear morning. Fairly cool. Up 6^{30} am
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{30}
Correspondence and filing Clear all day
Cloudy in evening

10^{00} am Dr. George McKeown, Sparks St., Dentist
Provisional appointment for dental work. Busy up to that time, but will change date later if desired

SATURDAY AUGUST 7 1943

Cloudy morning. Light rain from 9^{am} off and on
Office 8^{30}
Took 2 pr. trousers to Martin's and 6 shirts to Laundry
Laundry. Cloudy all afternoon and evening.
Working on correspondence and filing
Left Ottawa 1^{30} pm. Arrived Messines about 5^{00} pm
Met Dorothy on train, bringing her friend Michele Charlebois who is staying with her for a week; also
'Vivi' Meekins with 1st Lt. Ross Mackay to stay for weekend.
Little wind. Loons and Herring Gulls calling on lake
1^{30} pm. to leave on C.P.Ry. train for Messines, P.Q.

SUNDAY AUGUST 8 1943

Max. +69. Min. +32. Sunrises 5^{55} am Sets 8^{24} (Ottawa record)

At Blue Sea Lake. Cloudy most of day.

Birds very quiet and few species or individuals seen. Loons, Herring Gulls, an occasional Spotted Sandpiper along beaches on Big Island. An occasional Olive-backed Thrush seen.

Rowed for a while in evening. Put on Whitewood red wooden bass plug outfit & got past Chatam Cottage (lot 15) then put a red-eyed wobbler on trolling rig, and got a strike about 50 yards off shore as I headed for Burnt Island & a small-mouthed bass 14 ounces. No more strikes in Narrows, mouth of Ellard Creek, or on Ellard shoals.

Set 8 traps in evening across badminton court as there seemed to be many fresh holes.

MONDAY AUGUST 9 1943

Max. + 74. Min. +51. Sunrises: 5^{56}, Sets 8^{21} (Ottawa)

(At Blue Sea Lake) Caught one Blarina brevicauda (Shrew) and two Red-backed Mice. Went fishing with Dorothy to Ellard Shoals. She caught 4 small bass, 1 fairly large bullhead, and two small yellow perch. Several large bass seen but they would not bite. Caught fish on worms.

A few Black-capped Chickadees and Ruby-crowned Kinglets in treetops around house at noon.

Many birds seemed to be migrating after dark, (a little past first quarter of moon). I heard the occasional regular call notes of what were apparently sandpipers, etc. from 9 to 11 pm. going overhead.

To Messines for groceries in forenoon.

TUESDAY AUGUST 10 1943

Max.+ 76. Min+60. Sun rises: 5^{36} Sets 8^{20} Ottawa

(At Blue Sea Lake.) Clear day. Many birds around the house about 10^{am} Black-capped Chickadees and Ruby-crowned Kinglets in upper branches. Saw several American Redstarts low down, catching flies in the air. they are seldom seen in the Island although common in early summer up the Creek from Club on west side of lake. Many warblers, saw one Black-and-white Warbler (1st of season), and one ♂ Cape May Warbler (1st) with broken patches of red on throat; several Red-eyed Vireo; Cowbird; Olive-backed Thrushes, 1 Merganser, Loons & gulls.

Went trolling with Dorothy about 4 pm to 7 pm to Skeleton Island S. 2 miles to Anglin's, and back a little farther east. One good strike S of Sheep Island, 1 SE of Club, and 1 S of Skeleton Id. D. hauled them up nearly to boat by playing hard, but all got off. No bass on Ocean Shore

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 11 1943

Max.+ 84. Min.+60. Sun rises: 5^{37} Sets 8^{19}

Clear all day until 7 pm. when some clouds appeared. The girls took motor boat to Messines and 10 am bus to Maniwaki, returning about 3^{30} pm. Checked up gasoline on hand, and filled 2 2-gal. cans with mixed gas & oil + 1 2 qt. can, and about 2 quarts more, total a little over 5½ gallons. Ration book can not be found. I stayed at cottage all day, sawed up some old slabs and poles for firewood. In afternoon put up the big ladder and sawed off lower branches of five cedar trees east of the house so we can get more light and a better view across the lake.

About 7 o'clock Dorothy and I went trolling with rowboat past Island No 10, through narrows W. of Skeleton Island, and into "The Ocean" west of Club. Pelting rain for about 15 minutes wetting me to skin. Dorothy lost a strike in the shallows, lost some copper line and the "Jimmie" trolls in ways to

THURSDAY AUGUST 12 1943

~~Dark and cloudy most~~ of day. some sunshine towards noon
Max. + 84. Min + 58 Sun rises 5^{57} Sets 8^{19}

Did not get to bed until 11^{30}pm last night; woke up at 3^{00}am. and again at 4^{25}am, and managed to row across the lake and reach Messines Station about 10 minutes before the 5^{21}am. train arrived. Little fog on lake, but dense fog all the way to Ottawa where train arrived 8^{30}am

Office 9^{00} — 12^{00}. 1^{40} — 5. Not very much mail.
Norris-Elye sent some bird observations made by his son at Fort Francis, Y.T. during the past year.
Found 7 galleys of proof from Editor of Canadian Journal of Research, on "Variation in the Porcupine in Canada. Read same. Pay cheques issued today for some reason.
3^{00}pm Dr. Geo. S. McKeown, dentist. He made wax casts of gap in upper molar series and of lower teeth which meet same. Told me to come back on Sept. 1st. (11^{00}am)
Shower around 7^{00}p.m. cut grass just before rain

FRIDAY AUGUST 13 1943

Max. + 86 Min. + 67 Sun rise 5^{58} Sets. 8^{19}

Some rain during night. Sunshine 6^{30}am but slight haze in the air, and humidity high.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{48} – 5^{00}pm

Correspondence, and filing.

Clear most of day but clouded up in afternoon. M.B.A. went to Blue Sea Lake for weekend, leaving on 6^{05}pm train. I went downtown to bring some things to Station. Light sprinkle of rain began about 5^{25}pm.. I waited at Station door with rain pouring for about 20 minutes. then the rain nearly stopped and I started to walk home, but rain began & I had to walk half way in pouring rain, getting [illegible] thoroughly drenched. Clearing a little by 11pm

SATURDAY AUGUST 14 1943

Cloudy in morning, but clear most of the day

Office. 8:30 / 1:00 p.m

Correspondence and filing

Spent most of afternoon at house, but went down town to get some postage stamps, mail papers and bought some bread.

Cleaned up some things around the house.

SUNDAY AUGUST 15 1943

Max. +79. Min. +64. Sun rises 5:59 Sets 8:15

Clear and cool all day. Rather strong Easterly breeze most of the day. Up 8:30 am, and worked around the house most of the day on odd jobs

M.B.A., Dorothy and Isabel returned from Blue Sea Lake on evening train, due at 9:30 pm but did not arrive until 10:05 pm; train much crowded, and it took half an hour to get baggage out, and got home by taxi about 11:00 pm. Miss Claire Jun. Gabrielson and her sister Mrs Iris Nesbitt came down with the family on way to Washington, and stayed at our house all night

MONDAY AUGUST 16 1943

Max. + 73 Min + 57 Sunrises 6^{04} Sets 8^{17}
Cloudy morning, threatening rain. Downtown at noon and ordered a new pair of 18" focus glasses
Heavy shower of rain with some hailstones about 5/8" diameter; thunder and lightning, and we had to turn on lights in office
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{40} – 5^{45} p.m.
Correspondence – Letter from Laurence B. Potter, who has been sick, operation, etc., and sold his ranch at Eastend, Sask., where he has lived for 42 years. He says old-timers assure him that there were prairie dogs on Frenchman River 50 years ago

TUESDAY AUGUST 17 1943

Max. + 67 Min + 57 Sun rises 6^{03} Sets 8^{17}
Office during usual hours.
Correspondence and filing

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 18 1943

Max. + 67 Min + 56 Sun rises 6^{03} Sets 8^{06}
Office during usual hours.
Correspondence and filing

THURSDAY AUGUST 19 1943

Max. + 76 Min. + 49. Sun rises 6^{07} Sets 8^{03}
Office during usual hours.
Correspondence and filing

FRIDAY AUGUST 20 1943

Max. +80. Min. +59 Sun rise: 6:07 Set 8:02

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} – 5^{30}pm

Correspondence.

Spent most of afternoon sorting three metal filing cases full of mammal pamphlets, separates and reprints which Miss Hurlbut had card catalogued under authors and titles

SATURDAY AUGUST 21 1943

Clear day. Rather warm. Office 8^{30} – 12^{05} in Correspondence and filing

Left Ottawa (Mrs B.A., Donald, Alan Reddy and myself about 1^{45}. Arrived Messines about 5^{15}pm. Road pretty good. Mrs A. was given a ride across in Mrs Seybold's motorboat, and the rest of us crossed in our rowboat.

Went out with rowboat a little before dark (8 – 9^{30}) Trolled around East end of island with Montereio lures, but had no strike. Few birds seen or heard. Loons on lake, and several flying over late about dark; a few Herring Gulls

SUNDAY AUGUST 22 1943

Reached at Ottawa

Max. +84. Min. +54. Sunrise: 6 12 Set 7 58

at Blue Sea Lake: Clear most ~~all~~ day, but clouded over late in afternoon. Sawed up some logs and poles that had been drying and split them into stovewood. Isabel and Alan borrowed the small Gabrielson canoe, in place of our heavy one, and they took the motor boat to Cameron Bay and portaged canoe to Little Cedar Lake and back again about 5 00 pm. Trimmed off some branches in afternoon. A few small birds in treetops about noon, Chickadees and Kinglets mostly.

MONDAY AUGUST 23 1943

Reached at Ottawa

Max. + 89. Min +62. Sunrise: 6 13 Set 7 57

at Blue Sea Lake: Clear morning. Hazy sunshine most of day; rather sultry. Some distant thunder in SW in afternoon. Flicker bird, Loons, Gulls, Crow.

Went to town and bought enough second-hand matched flooring from Mr. Le Tourelle's garage to make 2 storm doors 5 ft by 7 ft. Pd. Aldoric Lamanna 50¢. to take it over to cottage in morning. Did a little cleaning up and grass cutting around yard. 2 45 ~~5~~ to 7 30 pm, trolled with rowboat to W. side of lake, and back. but got no strikes. Hardly anybody catching fish but a young man from hotel tells me he caught two small catfish yesterday.

Closed up cottage and left Messines in car about 6 15 am. Ottawa about 9 30. No rain at lake but road was drenched near Gracefield-Kazabazua. In Ottawa there were sheets of rain around 3 30 pm and heavy rain after we got home, from 9:30 to 11 30 or later.

TUESDAY AUGUST 24 1943

Max. + 73 Min. + 66 Sun rises 6^{14} 7^{55}
Cloudy morning, threatening rain. Light shower about 10 a.m. A little dull sunshine at times.
Office 8^{30} — 12^{15} 1^{30} —
Correspondence. Our request for Sp. Cat. 43-2.
The Journal of Mammalogy came yesterday containing my paper on Canadian wolves, pp 386-393, including map.
Two errors noted: Under Canis lupus griseus, first citation given Canis lupus-albus instead of C. lupus-griseus Sabine. In Table of measurements the Banks Island wolf is labelled as "banksianus" my old Ms. name, but as name bernardi subsp. nov. is given correctly on previous page it has "priority".

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 25 1943

Max. + 74 Min + 53. Sun rises 6^{15} sets 7^{53}
Clear a.m. with a few floating clouds Fairly warm +73 at 12 m
Office 8^{30} – 11^{20} 2^{00} —
Did some work on Check-list Cards (Genus Vulpes)
Several conflicting orders during last two days, the first was C.S. holiday from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.: and 11 to 2^{30} p.m.; skeleton staff (telephones etc.) excepted. Today's morning paper stated holiday for C.S. 11 – 2 p.m. by general Order-in-Council".

Franklin D. Roosevelt, president of the United States, visits Ottawa today. Members of C.S. excused to see parade between ~~11~~ ~~nine~~ and 2 p.m. (Except that somebody has to be at telephone.) Large attendance on Parliament Hill ~~began~~ 12 m. Short introduction by Prime Minister Mackenzie King address by President Roosevelt 1^{12} – 1^{30}

THURSDAY AUGUST 26 1943

Max. + 64. Min + 53 Sun rises: 6^{17} Sets: 7^{57}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} 5^{30} pm

Correspondence and filing.

Mr. McCurry, Director of National Gallery, brought in a Milk Snake (   ) killed by a person at Kingsmere, P.Q. yesterday, thinking it was a deadly poisonous reptile.

Did some work on revision of Check List, section Sorex, mostly in bringing what we know of distribution of species and subspecies up to date

FRIDAY AUGUST 27 1943

Max. + 61 Min + 49. Sun rises: 6^{18} Sets: 7^{49}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{45} 5^{30}

Correspondence and filing

Continued work on Checklist and finished genus Sorex and part of Talpidae.

M.B.A. and Isabel spent evening packing for weekend trip tomorrow.

SATURDAY AUGUST 28 1943

Clear all day. Rather cool.
Office 8^{30} — 12^{15} pm.
Continued work on Check List, finishing Felidae and most of Pinnipedia.
Letter from Dr. A. L. Rand dated August 14th, at Mile 313, postmarked Muskwa, B.C. Aug. 23rd. He states that he has been as far as Watson Lake, Yukon Territory with Dr. M. Y. Williams Geological Party, and they are now clearing up work on area missed on way north. Expects to be at Dawson Creek B.C. about middle of September.
Jun. went to 2^{10} train to see W.B.A. and Isabel off to Montreal. Isabel will enter training period for nursing at Royal Victoria Hospital on August 30th.

SUNDAY AUGUST 29 1943

Max. + 75. Min. + 48. Sun rises 6^{21} – 7^{42}
Clear all day, but rather cool.
Up 8^{30} am. Cleaned up some things around house, washed pair of overalls etc.
Last Evening I cut away most of the Hollyhocks in yard; all gone to seed except a few heads. Saved a basket of ripe seed pods. Cutting away the dying fruited stalks will give a better chance for the seedlings of this biennial species to get a better start by more leafy growth.

MONDAY AUGUST 30 1943

Max. +74 Min. +52 Sun rises 6^{22} Sets 7^{44}
Cool morning; cloudy mostly but some sunshine at times. Up. 6^{40} Office 8^{40} – 12^{15} – 5^{30}
A brief sprinkle of rain, with sun shining, about 5^{05} pm, but it soon ceased and evening was clear
Office correspondence and filing; did some work on Check-List revision. This involved looking up some No's of type specimens; and looking up data re "Ranges".
Cut grass around house in evening
Dorothy and I went down to meet Marg., who came on 10^{10} train from Montreal. Walked home as Marg. was little buggy. Isabel entered nursing course at Royal Victoria Hospital at 5^{15} pm

TUESDAY AUGUST 31 1943

Max. +74 Min. +49 Sun rises 6^{23} Sets 7^{42}
Clear day. Office 8^{30} – 12^{20}, 1^{50} – 5^{30} pm
Worked all forenoon on check-list, doing some work in Library. Finished revising cards from Canidae to end of Pinnipedia, wrote memo re typing, and talked it over with Mr. McLellan and Miss McKinley, head stenographer. They started the typing (3 copies) in stenographic pool.
To Rankin's at 5^{40}, and bought 2 prs. hinges for storm doors; 4 hooks and rings (doors), and 1 quart of stain (Light Oak) @ 1^{65} qt. Clear in evening
Rainfall at Ottawa for month of August was 9 inches probably record for August
[illegible] address mimeographs of 43-3 and 43-5

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 1 1943

Max. + 71 Min. + 61 Sunrise: 6^{27} Sets: 7^{40}

Raining at 6^{30} a.m. and continued, not very hard, but steady. Office 8^{25} – 12^{15} 1^{45} 5^{40}

Continued work on revision of Check-list

Rec'd mimeographs Nat. Mus. Special Contribution 43-3, "Some Aspects of Canadian Birds," 11 pages, long sheets 13". and 43-5, Birds in Saskatchewan, p. 2. about 20 copies of 43-5, and 300 of 43-3 delivered by Mr. G. D. Buchanan

11^{00} a.m. Dr. Geo. S. McKeown, dentist. For fitting of bridge; cast made August 12th. He fitted on gold crown on two molars to hold bridge both sides, about 20 minutes job

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 2 1943

Max. + 64 Min. + 55 Sunrise 6^{28} Sets 7^{39}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 2^{00} – 5^{40}.

Continued work on Check-list

Corrected about 20 copies (triplicate) of Check-list pages typed in proof. Decided to put vernacular names on 2nd line, with scientific names in blackface at top.

Correspondence

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 3 1943

Max. t. 66 Min. t. 61 Sun rises: 6^{27} Sets: 7^{37}
Cloudy. Fairly warm. Up 7^{40} Office 8^{30}-12^{45}-2^{00}-5^{45}
Wrote Report on work of Biological Division for July.
Correspondence. Wrote Dr. Murray Fallis, Toronto re his recent paper on botulism. Wrote note to Supt. Leather re Enquiry
Sent 4 mimeo. contributions
Mr. Kirby called by appointment 12^{15} - 12^{45} and I showed him skins of Baldpate, Widgeon, Black Duck, Mallard, Goldeneye. He is making decoys and wanted to see colours. Continued work on Check-list; looked up some old citations in Library
Cleared up in evening to some extent, and saw stars, but cloudy again by 11^{00} p.m.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 4 1943

Cloudy all forenoon.
Up 6^{15} a.m. Picked up some stuff to take to Blue Sea Lake, went to Ry. station and bought round trip ticket to Messines $4.45; to avoid rush at ticket office for Sat. p.m. local.
Office 8^{20} - 12^{00}
Correspondence

Met Dorothy and her guest Miss Margaret Craven at Station, leaving 1^{30} p.m. Train had small locomotive hauling a dozen or more old crowded coaches and several baggage cars. Running in two sections, the second section going up only to Wakefield.
Our section stalled for about half an hour on steep grade near Ironside, a few miles N. of Ottawa, and another locomotive had to come from Ottawa to push us to Chelsea. Arr. Messines about 5^{40} pm and road to cottage on Big Island.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 5 1943

Max. +73. Min +66. Sun rises. 6^{29} Set 7^{33} (At 6 [illegible]
(Blue Sea Lake); Cloudy all day. Hills misty and gray. Light rain falling most of the day. Light [illegible] from SE, [illegible]
Made two storm doors, one for North end of kitchen opening on East Verandah, and one for back door (south side).
— a slow job, working up a miscellaneous lot of second hand lumber from old building, some jointed flooring and some shiplap. Mr. Ross Macdonald and girlfriend called in evening. Cloudy but warm all day at the lake. A few birds in trees at noon (Chickadees, Kinglets, and a few warblers with dull yellow underparts. 4 Loons on lake, 2 adults and 2 large juveniles. 1 Herring Gull. Crows.

Harry Prentiss Alstrand, my wife's brother, died very suddenly at Chicago 11 p.m., aged 58 years.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 6 1943

Max +80. Min +68. Sun rises 6^{31} Set 7^{31}. Heavy mist on lake until about 9^{00} am. Calm. Everything wet and I took the opportunity to burn two brush piles on stony point [illegible] during [illegible] LABOR DAY (DOMINION) (Actual holiday today. Gov't Offices to close). Clear after 9^{00} a.m. Bright sunshine until about 4 p.m. Put up two storm doors, and placed two hooks inside, on each door. Gave them a coat inside: and outside, Light Oak Stain (with a pinch of Burnt Umber stirred in. Also stained one of the double doors on East side. Did a number of odd chores in afternoon — put 2 new springboards in boathouse; cleaned up yard, put on front storm door, and trimmed broken branches off one large tree.
Four American Mergansers swam across our bay and rested for some time on large rock East of bay, in the sunshine. Rowed to Gullinger's about 5 [illegible] for ~~[illegible]~~ Messines at holiday train 6^{36} pm. Big clouds came down from Maniwaki and then overcast before reaching [illegible] about 10 p. Heavy showers about 10^{30} pm

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 7 1943

Max.+ 73 Min.+ 65 Sun rises: 6^{32} Sets: 7^{29}
Cloudy morning, a little misty rain, but cleared, partially, in afternoon. Weather still warm, no frost yet, and garden flowers still blooming and foliage green clear up to [illegible]; a odd balsam poplar tree and little turning yellow
Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} 2^{00} – 5. Downtown at 1^{00} pm and bought N.Y. Times and Chicago Tribune (Monday's) but could find no notice of Harry's death. The stenographic pool sent down sheets of Check-list MSS. to be corrected.
Correspondence: Received a box of small mammal skins from Mr. L.T.S. Norris-Elye, Winnipeg, collected by his son Olivier Norris-Elye, who has been stationed at Frances Lake, Yukon Territory, in [illegible] since summer of 1942

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 8 1943

Max.+ 78 Min.+ 56 Sun rises: 6^{33} Sets: 7^{27}
Clear all day. Bright sunshine, and warm
Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} 2^{00} — 5^{30}
Correspondence. Wrote John T. Zimmer, Am. Mus. Nat. Hist. re his offer of old mountain specimens of [illegible] birds
Mr. Patch found some moths in West side basement lower room, and we took all [illegible] cases, and put out about 2 gallons of fumigant (Ethylene dichloride 75%, Carbon tetrachloride 25%).
Corrected some typed check-list pages, and some plate pages for Rand's manuscript (42-x) on Common birds

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 9 1943

Max. +63 Min. +50 Sun rises 6^{34} Sets 7^{25}
A little sunshine, with considerable clouding
in Early morning. Up 6^{30} a.m. Office 8^{25} – 12^{30} –
1^{45} – 5^{30} pm

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10 1943

Max.+63. Min.+40. Sunrises: 6^{35} 7^{24}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{30} pm
Working on correspondence, filing and on
mammal collections.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 11 1943

Cloudy morning, rather cool
Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm
Correspondence, etc.

Isabel came home from Montreal on afternoon train. She expected to come next week-end, but the Supt. let her come home, on account of Isabel's uncle, Henry P. Allstrand dying suddenly this week in Chicago.

2^{30} pm. Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club 1st fall excursion: Wellington and Parkdale streets. I did not go on account of rain. Mr. Herbert Groh told me later that about 15 people attended.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12 1943

Max. +56. Min. +42. Sun rises: 6^{38}. Set 7^{22}
Cloudy most of day, rather chilly. Clearing in afternoon.
Took a short walk 11-12 am. from home along Canal to Lansdowne Park. No signs of frost anywhere, grass still green, and leaves of trees the same; gladiolus in bloom. Saw several Myrtle warblers in trees South of Pretoria Bridge.
Dinner at 4^{00} pm. Lt Alan S. Purdy our guest.
We all went down to station to see Isabel off on 5 o'clock train. She will not have another leave from Royal Victoria Hospital for some time

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 13 1943

Max. +68. Min. +35. Sun rise 6^{38}. Set 7^{18}

Full moon. Clear most of day.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm

Correspondence, etc.

Received letter from Dr. Gustave Ratté, Secretary, The Provancher Society of Natural History of Canada, Quebec, with 12 copies of the Annual Report for 1942, which Dr. Ratté states was issued Sept. 9, 1943.

It contains my paper on Canadian Seals with descriptions of two new subspecies, *Phoca hispida beaufortiana* and *P. h. soperi*, also paper describing six new subspecies, *Blarina brevicauda angusta*, *Marmota monax johnsoni*, *Glaucomys sabrinus goodwini*, *G. s. gouldi*, *Clethrionomys gapperi gaspeanus*, and *Zapus hudsonius ontarioensis*.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 14 1943

Max. +74. Min. +40. Sun rises ^{40}. Set 7^{46}.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 2^{00} – 5^{40} pm

Correspondence: Wrote Norris-Elye, Winnipeg re letter received today on herpetology.

Clear all day. Fairly warm. Dense fog in early morning, but it cleared away by 9^{30} am

Received a skin of juvenile Savannah Sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) from Wm. H. Moore, Hawkshaw, York Co., New Brunswick, for determination.

7^{45} p.m. Civil Service Lodge, No. 148. About 35 in attendance including two visiting W.M.'s. 2nd degree worked (M. H. Tuffnell). Report by W. M. on his visit to Grand Lodge at Toronto in July. 1943

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 15 1943

Max. + 77 Min. + 47. Sun rises: 6^{41} Sets: 7^{14}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} 5^{30} pm

Went down town to get one shoe for M.B.L. which I left at Mackenzie's shoe shop on Aug 30th. They had promised it in two weeks time, and made good. Merely sewing up 2 cuts on side of shoe. The foreman says they are overworked; have 600 shoes on hand to fix now, and only a few workmen.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 16 1943

Max. + 62. Min + 51. Sun rises. 6^{43} Sets 7^{12}

Clear most of the day. Light rain in evening.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} — 5^{45}.

Correspondence, etc.

Two boxes came in by express from Dr. H.M. Raup, from Dawson Creek, B.C., with $\$25^{00}$ express charges. Dr. Raup and family arrived in town today but could not get out to Museum. He says the boxes are collected equipment and charges were prepaid. His colleague Dr Cardell worked in National Herbarium for a while in morning and afternoon. They left Ottawa late in afternoon.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 17 1943

Max. + 54 Min + 40 Sunrise: 6⁴⁴ sets 7¹⁰

Clear most of day. A few heavy clouds for a short time. Office 8²⁵—12¹⁵—1⁴⁵—5⁵⁰ p.m. Cold day.

Correspondence and filing. Spent much time answering telephone calls — Mr. Patch and Miss Hulbert absent on leave, and Mr. C. E. Johnson working downstairs leaving me alone. Put a board shelf in middle of ply-board U.S.A. box sent in by A. Reap yesterday, and moved Bison skulls from an insect proof case into it. Took empty [illegible] tins which Patch and I brought up for fumigation last week (no signs of moth life), and put them in the emptied bison bone case.

Mrs. John Moody, of Gatineau Mills, P.Q. brought over a dead ♂ [illegible]-bird which she had kept as a pet for 12 yrs. Acc. 42-23. Told D. J. Blakely to make it up as a skin for possible mounting later. Dorothy is delighted to go to Toronto on Monday for Labor Bill — a ten-day trip. 8—9⁵⁰ p.m. at office, writing etc.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 18 1943

Clear morning. Cool, but no frost in city. Considerable vapor rising from Canal at 6³⁰ a.m. To Hobbs (Sussex St) and Rankin (Bank St) to get hardware supplies. Office 9 a.m.—12³⁰. $1.76

Clearing up files and recent correspondence.

M. B. A. went out in car and with help of Mrs. Lorain got a good bag of hardwood veneer chunks (beech, birch and oak) from Miss Beaton's wood yard for $1.25. It is very hard to get any wood now. We have some coal promised by Heney's by middle of October

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 19 1943

Max +62. Min +34. Sun rises 6^{46} Sets 7^{07}

Clear day. Did some work around the house in forenoon. Put new pane of glass in south basement window.

Down town to get New York Times in afternoon.

Dorothy went sailing on Lake Deschenes, returning for late dinner. Pretty strong breeze on lake (the widening on Ottawa River west of city.)

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 20 1943

Max +73. Min +38. Sun rises 6^{47} Sets 7^{05}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{40} pm

Correspondence and filing. Some work done on Check-List; revised all cards under genus *Eutamias* (little chipmunks, western).

Dr C. H. D. Clarke called late in afternoon. He returned from his summer trip along Alaska Highway; mostly in Kluane Lake region, although he got near enough to *see* Alaska, and the same for the piece-of-pie northwest corner of B.C. near Alsek River. He had 2 specimens of "Singing mouse" apparently subgenus *Stenocranus*.

Dorothy left for Toronto on evening train (10$^{34?}$) pm

Special work for War Labor Board.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 21 1943

Max. +60. Min. +40. Sun rises 6^{49} Sets 7^{03}

Clear all day. Fairly warm in middle of day

Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm

Correspondence and filing.

Doug. Clarke called again in afternoon and gave me an account of some of his observations — Very interesting, but few of his observations and notes on species backed up by specimens. Of course he was with the Controller of Parks Branch, going the country the "once-over" with mostly one-night stands, a good excuse for not collecting many specimens, or preparing them in good shape.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 22 1943

Max +66 Min. +39. Sun rises 6^{50} – 7^{01}

Clear morning, and clear all day

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{45} – 5^{30} pm

Unpacked and sorted skulls from collection made by Dr. C.H.D. Clarke. They were much decomposed and slimy, as they had not been cleaned and put into a tin and a bottle, paper wrapping and labels damp and sloppy.

Looked up books and references to Subgenus Stenocranius in library, etc.

M.B.A. left on morning train for visit

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 23 1943

Max. +68 Min. +42 Sun rise: 6^{57} Set 6^{58}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{30} – 5^{45} pm

Had Miss Hurlbert type the original descriptions of the few known records of subgenus *Stenocranius* from North America

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 24 1943

Max. +54. Min. +39. Sun rise 6^{52}. Sets 6^{56}

Office: 8^{30} – 12^{20} 1^{45} 5^{50}

Correspondence.

Mr. Person gave me the two skulls of *Stenocranius* – one young specimen in small fragments, the other with cranium cracked but teeth and mandibles intact. The dentition is typical of this subgenus. Typed the references to *Stenocranius* in J. R. Ellerman's "Families and genera of Rodentia" Vol. II. 1941 (A large British Museum publication.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25 1943

Clear day. Rather cool. Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm

Correspondence etc.

Dr. A. L. Rand returned from his field work on Alaska Highway; says he collected about 150 birds and about 100 small mammals; no large mammals (big game) or fur-bearers, or resident non-migratory birds because he did not get the ~~Coll~~ permits as requested from the British Columbia Game Commission

2^{30} pm. Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club. Mackay Lake. Meet by Firth's (florist) Did not attend
at home all afternoon, fixing storm window sash including replacement of 2 panes of glass broken last winter. M.B.A. went out with Mrs. Dowling car and got a load of wood with difficulty from Mrs. Bealin for $5

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26 1943

Max. +57. Min. +31. Sunrise: 6^{55} – Sets 6^{37}

Cloudy morning. Rather cool. Built a small fire in furnace, partly to dry putty in window sash. Cleaned ~~six~~ three storm windows for south side of dining room and three for library and put them up; also one in basement.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 27 1943

Max. +73 Min. +46 Sun rises: 6^{56} Sets 6^{50}
Clear day. ~~Rather~~ cool. Up 6^{30} a.m.
Office: 8^{30} – 12^{10} – 1^{45} – 5^{45}

Correspondence. Wrote Kenneth Racey in reply to his letter offering to send some specimens of Blarina and Clethrionomys for examination. He kindly sent copy of recent annual Report of Provancher Society from Quebec.

Rand received and unpacked his specimens:— 'Birds, Mammals; Amphibians ( ) fishes, no Reptiles. Some pressed plants. He wants to write a Handbook of the Alaska Highway from natural history standpoint

5^{00} p.m. Mr. Malcolm Macdonald's Secretary (British High Commissioner to Canada) phoned for an appointment

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 28 1943

Max. +54 Min. +51. Sun rises: 6^{57} Sets. 6^{48}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm. Clear all day.

Correspondence... Some work done labelling cataloguing and putting away catalogued material to make room for new accessions. Archie finished 3 trays all with plyboard bottoms for

12^{00} noon. The Rt. Hon. Malcolm MacDonald, British High Commissioner to Canada, to call at my Office in Museum. His principal object was to ask some questions about muskrats keeping holes open for feeding purposes on ice in winter. He had been down to Aklavik, Mackenzie delta and on Porcupine River, Y.T., and trappers had told him stories of this habit. I told him I had seen these holes or "push-ups" as the trappers call them, probably for breathing holes and also for taking food to eat. I do not know about the so-called snowhouse over hole, but they may be formed by drifting snow.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 29 1943

Max. +62 Min. +38 Sun rises 6^{58} Sets 6^{46}

Clear all day. Cool in morning but warm at midday

Office 8^{30}–12^{15}. 1^{45}–5^{46} pm

Correspondence, etc. Archie brought up one more tray with a new kind of bottom (beaverboard reinforced by three thin narrow strips of wood along bottom. He says that plyboard will not be available again until after the war. I told him he could finish the remaining 20 trays with reinforced beaverboard bottoms.

Down town at noon to Bank of Montreal to make deposit.

Patch moved the single old mounted Musk-ox out of Exhibit hall, as boys had damaged the clay-modelled nose by repeatedly "picking" at it.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 30 1943

Max. +66 Min. +41 Sun rises 6^{59} Sets 6^{45}

Clear morning, up 6^{30} am Office 8^{30} am –

Correspondence ~~and~~ filing.

1^{00} pm Canadian Club luncheon. Guest speaker the Hon. Ray Atherton, lately appointed U.S. Minister to Canada, his first public speech in Ottawa.

8^{00} pm 216th Reg. Convocation Ottawa Chapter No 222 R.A. confreres. About 30 in attendance.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 1 1943

Max. +60. Min. +48. Sun rises. 7^{01}. set 6^{43}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} 1^{30} – 5^{30}

SATURDAY OCTOBER 2 1943

Clear day fairly warm for season
Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm
Correspondence, etc.
Collected a number of copies of Provancher Society reports and sent them out

SUNDAY OCTOBER 3 1943

Max +59. Min +40° Sun rises 7^{03} Set 6^{39}
Cloudy most of day, but fairly warm. A little sunshine in afternoon.

In forenoon cleaned and put up 4 storm windows in basement, 1 at head stairs, west; and 1 large one on East side upstairs. Also put considerable putty which had fallen from big sitting room storm window.

In afternoon Mr. Clarence D— and Ben Fuller, Mr. Slattery came over and we took a drive up Gatineau road to end of pavement and back. The autumn foliage has a mass of colour today.

Dorothy was out on bicycle trip to Kingsmere etc. and brought friend back to dinner at 7 p.m.

MONDAY OCTOBER 4 1943

Max +55. Min +39. Sun rises 7^{05} Set 6^{37}
Clear day. Up 6^{30} Office 8^{30}–12^{15} ~~1^{30}~~–5^{30}

In evening did a little sandpapering of the movable frame in storm window sashes for upstairs. They "stuck" or "jammed" too much last winter, and to remove it and [illegible] from grooves.

TUESDAY OCTOBER 5 1943

Max. +57. Min. +33 Sun rises 7^{06} Sets 6^{35}
Cloudy forenoon, with sunshine at times
+56° at noon (Journal office)
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{45} 5^{30}
Correspondence, etc.

Dorothy left for Port Arthur on 10^{25} pm train, on special work for War Labour Board. Expecting to be gone for at least ten days.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 6 1943

Max. +69. Min. +33. Sun rises 7^{07}. Sets 6^{34} pm
Clear day. Rather warm for this time of year.
Maples turning red and yellow in city; willows somewhat yellowish; Elm still green.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 2^{00} 5^{30} pm
Correspondence, filing etc. Wrote report on work of Division of Biology for month of September.

THURSDAY OCTOBER 7 1943

Max. t 65 Min. t 51 Sun rises 7^{03} Sets: 6^{32}
Cloudy morning. Up about 5^{30} on account of clocks at home being one hour fast.
Office 8^{30} – 12
Correspondence. Received a Cosy letter from my old friend, Wm. H. Moore, of Hawkshaw, York Co., New Brunswick, giving a number of interesting notes on mammals in N.B.
Dr. Rand wrote memorandum recommending that Museum accept and "make room for" a selection of mounted exotic birds (mounted specimens being replaced by A.W. H. Hurlay. N.Y.
In evening sandpapered bearings of our double sash panel and packed up stuff which I need for trip tomorrow

FRIDAY OCTOBER 8 1943

Max. t Min. t Sun rises Sets
Clear morning and sun bright and hot most of day. Up 6^{30}, Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{50} – 3
Corrected and sent out several Snake reprints.
Wrote Mr. Geo. E. Blare, Kapuskasing re his 2 specimens determined as Microsorex hoyi intervectus.

4^{15} p.m. Plan to leave on Can Pac. train for Messines. No train running south from there on Sunday (Oct. 10th) but train will run down on Monday (Thanksgiving Day leaving Messines 6^{37} pm arrive Ottawa 9^{45} p.m.
Ordinary daily (Ex-Sunday service) lv. Ottawa 4^{15} p.m. Messines 7^{14} pm lv. Messines 7^{12} a.m. Arrive Ottawa 10^{45} a.m.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 9 1943

Cloudy most of day, with fairly strong wind from NE, white-caps at times. Wind moderated a little and died down in evening. Two single American Mergansers near boathouse. Four loons on lake near home; they seem to be silent now. Painted some storm doors; mixed stain in unplaned board doors.

Ruffed Grouse. - Saw one in upper end of flower bed back of house. When I walked up, the grouse flew into a tree south east of badminton court

SUNDAY OCTOBER 10 1943

Clear and calm,
Max. + 48. Min. + 26. Sun rises 7^13. Sets 6^26/pm

Finished staining storm doors and shutters, used 2 small tins of brown floor paint; mixed with burnt umber and reddish ochre, Kerosene, naphtha, and Ethyl gasoline mixed with Mobiloil
Several Chickadees and 1 hermit thrush near home.

Herring Gulls. a few seen. largest of two all alone

American Mergansers, pair in bay near home. Shot at them and they dived about 50 yds. came up and flew away
Great Horned Owl hooting back towards beach of Big Island, I hooted a few times and Owl answered a few times. About 15 minutes later he was hooting quite close to house, apparently from big cedar near badminton court

2 redbacked mice in lining. 18 traps last night: one at edge of woodshed, one at hole at base of cedar stump near house. (1) ♂ ad. 143-42-19.5. (2) ♀. 136-40-19.

MONDAY OCTOBER 11 1943

Max.+ 63. Min.+ 37. Sunrise 7^{14} - Set 6^{24} (Ottawa local)

At Blue Sea Lake. Clear all day light breeze from South. Sawed and chopped a little wood. Packed Johnson Motor for shipment to Ottawa. Put Motor boat and Canoe up above water in boathouse for winter. Planted some plum pits (red and black), some Viburnum berries (from Museum Grounds) — Viburnum. Put up all storm shutters. Also some hollyhocks. Greased stove and stovepipe.

Left cottage 6^{05} p.m. Rowed across lake and hiked to town. Reached station at Messines about 6^{32} (ca. 5 min. before train time).

Arrived Ottawa about 9^{45} pm (due 9^{40} p.m.)

M.B.A. arrived from Montreal on C.P.Ry 10^{05} pm, a long train with large crowd.

Full moon tonight.

TUESDAY OCTOBER 12 1943

Max.+ 72 Min.+ 36 Sunrise 7^{16} Sets 6^{23}

Clear most of day, warm. Cloudy after 4^{30} pm.

Office 9 a.m. to 12^{20} - 2^{20} — 5^{40} p.

Downtown at 1^{00} pm. to attend Canadian Club luncheon. Guest speaker, the Hon. Errick Willis, M.L.A., Minister of Highways, Public Works and Labour, Manitoba, subject "The Alaska Highway." A clear speaker, who gave a good address, but perhaps over optimistic.

7^{45} p.m. C.S. Lodge A.F.&A.M. No. 148, G.R.C. in Ontario Reg. meeting. Bro. Edward Scholfield R.C.M.P. init. 1°.

Home 10^{30} pm.

Mr. C.L. Patch set traps for 2 nights in low brush along little creek valley in Lindenlea and caught 7-8 Blarina, 5-6 white footed mice.

Dr. Crittenden told me he was hunting in Lanark County on 11th with C. H. D. Clarke. and got 4 or 5 Grouse. Mr. Marshall told me he got 4 ducks on 11th, and a few grouse.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 13 1943

Max. + 74 Min + 39 Sun rises: 7^{17} Sets 6^{21}.

A little fog in early morning over Rideau Canal

Up. 6^{35}. Office 8^{30} — 12^{30} — 2^{00} — 5^{45}

Dr. C. H. D. Clarke phoned yesterday that he had shot a porcupine in Lanark Co. on 11th. Dr. Blakely went to Clarke's home and got the porcupine ($\frac{2}{3}$ grown). — too young for skeletal purposes as I had wished, but Blakely is making a skin.

Dr. N. C. Sully, M.D. 200 Second Ave. called a little after noon. He shot a hawk near Low. P.Q. on Oct. 11th, which from description could only be an Amer. Rough-legged Hawk. He brought it to the Museum in afternoon as a donation (a very black Rough-leg.)

Working on correspondence and filing. Cut out the French description of every new subspecies for pasting on filing cards for Mammal file

THURSDAY OCTOBER 14 1943

Max. + 62 Min + 49 Sun rises: 7^{18} Sets: 6^{19}

Cloudy in morning, sunrise red. Up 6^{30}

Hoey's delivered five bags of Elkhorn coal (9.5 Cb. bags) today.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 15 1943

Max. + 60. Min. + ~~37~~ +30. Sun rises ~~7:22~~ 7:19 Sets 6^{17} 6^{14}
Clear most of day. Office 8^{30}-12^{m} 1^{30} 5^{30}pm
Correspondence.

Henry's put in one ton of mixed stove and nut coal (anthracite) today.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 16 1943

Cloudy all day. Light rain in afternoon and evening. Office 8^{30}-1^{00}pm
Correspondence. Sent out some reprints
Received Arctic Hare, summer skin with skull, from Eastern Arctic Patrol, collected August 1943 near Pond Inlet by Sergeant H. A. McBeth, Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
In afternoon put up ladder outside house and put up two south upstairs storm windows.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 17 1943

Max. +57. Min. +45. Sun rises: 7^{22} Sets 6^{14}
Cloudy most of day. In forenoon

MONDAY OCTOBER 18 1943

Max. +47 Min. +35 Sun rises: 7^{23} Sets 6^{12}
Cloudy most of day. Up. 6^{35} am Office 8^{30} – 12^{20}
1^{45} – 5^{40}. Correspondence. Mailed a few re-
prints. 11 – 12^{20} Mr. Lynch called Dr. Rand to
his office; others present Dr. D. Leechman, Philip E. Palmer
He told something of post war plans for museum,
the expectation being that the whole Victoria Memorial
Museum bldg. will be available for museum purposes
Mr. C. A. Weatherby Research Associate Gray
Herbarium Harvard Univ. arrived today & will be for
a while to work on N.S. plants in National Herbarium
7^{30} pm Emergent Convocation Ottawa Chapter R.A.
for reception of applicants. Rather small attendance.
for receiving applications, and practicing degree team

TUESDAY OCTOBER 19 1943

Max. +47 Min. +37 Sun rises: 7^{25} Sets 6^{10}
Light rain 9-11 am
Cloudy a.m., Sunshine at middle of day.
Office 8^{30} – 10^{30}. 1^{15} – 5^{45}

Went according to typed summons sent around yesterday from Office of M. & G., to attend a rally for 5th Victory Loan. A few movie films of war activities shown, and a sensible talk by Mr. – McInnes

To Bryson-Graham's store and bought one suit of Penman's underwear (2-piece) for $4.00, and one pr. drawers (Turnbull's) @ $2.25.

Correspondence. and mailing reprints
Home all evening. Mrs E. E. Cross called at Museum with her sister Miss Crawford, a retired missionary & Indian collector
Rolly of Museum floor map, and copies of same
1938-39 memoir left on my desk 5 pm
Had a long talk with Mr. Charles A. Weatherbee.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 20 1943

Max. +51 Min. +40 Sun rises 7^{26} Sets: 6^{09}
Cloudy morning. Fairly warm. Up 6^{30} am
Office 8^{30} – 12 1^{30} 5^{30} pm
Correspondence &c

THURSDAY OCTOBER 21 1943

Max. +53 Min. +31. Sun rises 7^{27} Sets: 6^{07}
Cloudy most of day.
Office 8^{30} — 12^{15} — 1^{45} — 5^{40} pm
Correspondence. Corrected several reprints and mailed a number of the papers to various correspondents

FRIDAY OCTOBER 22 1943

Max. +49 Min. +41. Sunrise: 7^{29} Sets 6^{06}
Cloudy most of the day. Rather cool
Office 8^{30} — 12^{15} pm. 1^{45} — 5^{45} pm
Correspondence. &c

7^{30} — 9^{30} pm at Office. Looked over a number of documents and did some figuring on revision of Income Tax declaration.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 23 1943

Cloudy all day. Light rain in afternoon, heavier towards evening. Rather warm
Office 8 30 — 1 00 pm Correspondence
Filing papers etc

In afternoon, cleaned the last of the storm windows, put on a little varnish stain in places, and put up the sash. Using the big ladder. 5 00 pm. to Elgin and Bank St to do some shopping.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 24 1943

Max. +43 Min. +36 - Sun rise 7 32 ~~Set~~ 6 03
Cleaned up a little around the basement.
Cloudy most of day, but sun came out about [illegible]
Down town to get Sunday Edition of New York Times
Mr and Mrs. Charles A. [illegible] came here for dinner, arriving about 5 00 pm and stayed until about 7 45 pm. A pleasant visit.

MONDAY OCTOBER 25 1943

Max. + 46 Min. + 35 Sun rises: 7^{33}, Sets: 6^{01}

Cloudy morning. Cleared up in forenoon. Clear afternoon. Colder. Up. 6^{35} Office 8^{30} – 12^{25} 2^{00} – 5^{45}

Correspondence. Sent out a few reprints

Determined 2 Sedges collected by Dr. C. H. D. Clarke 1 Carex c. [illegible] (near Teslin) and 1 ~~Sun~~ Tenuiflora from Burwash Landing, Kluane Lake, Y.T. Phoned Clarke my provisional determinations.

TUESDAY OCTOBER 26 1943

Max. + 52 Min. + 32 Sun rises: 7^{34} Sets. 5^{59}

Clear most of day. Cooler. Up 6^{15} Office 8^{30} – 12^{35} 1^{55} – 5^{40} pm

Correspondence, etc.

p.m.
Dr. A. L. Rand attended meeting of officials who engaged in Alaska Highway work last summer. Reports submitted and discussed in office of Dr. Charles Camsell, deputy Minister M. & R.

7^{30} p.m. Emergent meeting C.S. Lodge. A.F. & A.M. No. 148. G.R.C. in Ont

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 27 1943

Max + 41. Min + 37. Sunrise: 7^{38} Set 6^{56}
Office 8^{30} 12^{00} - 1^{30} - 5^{45}pm

THURSDAY OCTOBER 28 1943

Max + 47. Min + 40. Sunrise 7^{37}. Set 5^{56}
Office 8^{30} - 12^{30} 2^{00} - 5^{30}pm
Correspondence. filing. etc.

8^{30}pm. Mrs. A. and I attended a special Exhibition of Czechoslovakian Art in National Gallery. The Rt. Hon Mackenzie King gave an introductory address, replied to by the Hon. Franzeska Pavlacek. Many of diplomatic set present. Saw several officers of allied military forces: Czechoslovakia, Poland, Norway, Russia (?).
8^{00}pm Regular convocation R.A. for gen business: was not able to attend. The Mexic Minister walked freely about the halls during evening, conversing with many friends

FRIDAY OCTOBER 29 1943

Max. +55. Min. +43. Sunrises: 7^{38} Sets. 5:55
Office 8^{30} 12^{00} – 1^{30} – 5^{45}pm

SATURDAY OCTOBER 30 1943

Cloudy day. Rather warm
left 6^{30}. Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} pm
Correspondence. Sent out a few reprints

2:^{30}pm Ottawa Chapter No 222. and Carleton Chapter.
Joint meeting – for Most Ex. Gr. 1st. Princ. Banquet 6 pm
R.A.° at 8^{30} pm Opened 2^{30}pm. Mark M.° to 38 Candidates
Opened at 4^{00}pm and gave Most Ex. M. to above. Banquet in basement
6^{30} 8^{00}pm Speeches by
8^{15} 11^{58}. R.A.° to 38 Candidates. About 300 in attend-
ance. Delegates from 22 of 23 Chapters in Ottawa district
1st G.P. Treble [illegible] Companions from Fairmont Chap. [illegible]

SUNDAY OCTOBER 31 1943

Max. + 46. Min. + 32. Sunrise 7^{41} set 5^{51}

Cloudy most of day; some sunshine in afternoon. Did some work around house and yard. Fixed ladder, and cut away withered Helianthus, south side of house.

Dorothy had to work all day and in evening in War Labor Board Office; the first time she has been called on for Sunday work. She worked Saturday afternoon and evening. (yesterday)

MONDAY NOVEMBER 1 1943

Max. + 51. Min. + 27. Sunrise 7^{44}. Set 5^{46}

Fairly clear most of day. Office 8^{30} – 12^{10}, 2^{00} – 5^{30}

Dr. T. Bruce, Asst Ed. Can. Journ. Research, informed me that Prodromus paper by Anderson on Rumex was issued Sept 24th instead of Sept. 6th as previously stated.

ALL SAINTS' DAY (QUEBEC)

Mr. A.E. Porsild returned from Godthaab, Greenland, where he has been stationed as Canadian Consul since July 1942. He flew out, had an afternoon at Melville Lake, Labrador, and found very interesting plant assemblage in a bog; other specimens to follow by ship from Greenland.

Rec'd skin of Eastern Canada wolf from Dr. D.A. Déry on loan. Shot Oct 12, 1943 near St. Leonard, Portneuf Co. P.Q. 7 ev. Mrs. A. and I were guests of Mr.-and Mrs. Charles A. Weatherby of Gray Herbarium, at Chateau Laurier. Went home about 9.30 after very pleasant evening

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 2 1943

Max + 48 Min + 33 Sun rises: 7^{44} Sets 5^{48}
Cloudy morning. Some fog. Up. 6^{35} a.m. Office 8^{30}

Went down town at noon yesterday and saw John Henry's office manager. He promised to send half a ton of Elkhorn coal (Kentucky bituminous coal) to our house the next day. 10 bags delivered about 8 a.m

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 3 1943

Max + 45 Min + 38 Sun rises: 7^{45} Sets: 5^{47}
Cloudy most of day. Rather warm weather
Office 8^{30} 12^{m} 1^{30}. 5-40 pm
Correspondence, Etc.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 4 1943

Max. +41. Min. +35. Sun rises 7^{46} Sets 5^{46}

Cloudy misty day

Office 8^{30} - 12^{15}. 1^{45} 5^{40}.

Correspondence, filing, etc.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5 1943

Max. +50. Min +37. Sun rises 7^{48} Sets 5^{45}

Office 8^{30} - 12^{00} - 1^{30} - 5^{45}. Weather cloudy

Correspondence, etc. Rain in late afternoon and evening.

7^{30} - 9^{30} pm. At Office reading and making a few notes on Dr. Rand's Mss. on Alaska Highway work. G good preliminary report; giving account of [illegible] but hammered down by [illegible]. Need working up. He stresses the friendly co-operation of U.S. Army officials in the woods, in contrast to hostility of Canadian army command, particularly of Maj.-Gen. W.W. Foster whom [illegible]

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6 1943

Cloudy all day. Rather warm.
Office 9.00 / 12.40

Correspondence. Wrote memo re Dr. A. L. Rand's report on Alaska Highway work July - Sept. 1943 118 pp typed, with route maps and photos. Took it up to Mr. Lynch's office

Had small fire in furnace all day today for first time this fall, to dry out slight dampness in basement. For the past month we have occasionally had a small fire of Elkhorn coal (Kentucky bituminous coal) in little stove attached to gas stove in kitchen, which warms the lower floor of house very well on cool days.

Dorothy went to Montreal on 2nd pm train, with Margaret Craig

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7 1943

Max. +43 Min. +41. Sun rises 7.51 Sets 5.42.
Cloudy all day. Misty rain during most of day.
11.15 - 12.45 took a walk to Ottawa East, & on Main St. and back along Echo Driveway. Saw no birds except House Sparrows, Starlings and Pigeons. No signs of any late fall or winter migrants.
Saw Anderson in afternoon on Driveway

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Weatherby called at house for about an hour 8-9 pm. They are leaving for Cambridge, via Toronto, tomorrow morning

+44 at noon at Journal office

MONDAY NOVEMBER 8 1943

Max. +51 Min. +41 Sun rises 7^{52} Sets 5^{41}
Cloudy morning, with light misty rain at 6^{30} am, continuing. Rather warm
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm.
Correspondence. Finished report on work of Division of Biology during October, 1943, and filed a few notes from recent correspondence. I scarcely have time to abstract the important data received in letters, and they are virtually lost when letters are put in general letter file without making abstract of important wildlife notes and filing them under species

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9 1943

Max. +45. Min. +39. Sun rises. 7^{53} Sets 5^{40}
Cloudy most of the day. A little sunshine late in afternoon (about 4^{00} pm.). Sky partly ~~overcast~~ overcast in evening, with clouds skimming over from Southerly
Received letter from Prof Ian McTaggart Cowan, taking exception to paper by Racey and myself on Townsend Vole in Canada (Can. F.N.). He admits that the new race T. t. laingi from northern Vancouver Island is considerably larger than specimens from southern end (Victoria area), that specimens represent a cline and although evidently separable, should not be given subspecific names
:45. M.P.A. went on boat trip to town today.
7^{30} pm. Reg. Meet. C.S. Lodge A.F. & A.M. No 1486 B.C. [illegible]
Stayed at home and enjoyed a rest for evening reading.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 10 1943

Max. +42. Min. +32 Sun rises: 7^{55} Sets: 5^{38}
Cloudy morning. Slightly cooler. Left 6^{35} am
Office 8^{30} – 10^{30} 2^{00} – 5^{45} pm
Correspondence.

Went downtown to Motor Building, 238 Sparks Street and worked in basement from 10^{45} to 1^{10} pm clearing out contents of two of the large "Cambridge tin" type of specimen storage cases. They contained mostly "cells" of bird and small mammal skins and some Eskimo left by Captain Joseph F. Bernard about 1920, and stored for a while in Museum, then in Front Street storehouse, and later in Motor Bldg. All were ruined by insect pests and had to be destroyed.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11 1943

Max. +37. Min. +25. Sun rises 7^{56} Sets 5^{37}
Clear ~~[illegible]~~ day. A little flurry of snow flakes around noon, melting as it fell. The first "official" fall of snow for the season according to Weather Bureau.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 2^{15} – 5^{45} pm
Correspondence, etc. Sorted over some Alaska Highway shrews with Dr. Rand.

Brought Dr. Dery's wolf skin up from basement and began writing a detailed description of the skin.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12 1943

Max.+ Min.+ Sun rises: Sets:

A little sunshine in forenoon after a cold night. Cloudy in afternoon, with a few snowflakes flying about 4^{30} p.m. Office 8^{30} - 12^{00} 2^{00} - 5

Correspondence, etc.

The Dept. mail man brought over the ~~two~~ large tin cases from Victoria Bldg, and Mr. Blakely started to clean them.

Mrs. Edouard Chamois, of Wrightville, P.Q., brought over a ♀ short-tailed weasel which her cat caught on Brewery Creek yesterday.

Isobel came home on early evening train from her work in Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal; on leave until Saturday night

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 13 1943

Cloudy all day. Light misty rain now and then. Rather warm

Office 8^{30} - 1^{00} pm Correspondence, etc.

Mr. Wayne Robinson, Ont. Game warden for Ottawa Dist, phoned me about 10^{30} a that a farmer, Elton Kealey had brought in skin and skinned carcass of a "six-foot" wolf (♀) shot yesterday near Dunrobin, Carleton County, about 25 miles west of Ottawa. He offered to present the carcass (for skull and skeleton) to the Nat. Museum, but skin had to be sent to Toronto for payment of $25.00 bounty paid for Carleton County. Robinson and Kealey came to Museum about 12^{00} m. The tail was unskinned and I skinned it out to complete the skeleton. The skin looked small, but fur was good and bright, with colour similar to Quebec wolf skins noted here

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14 1943

Max. + 30 Min. + 23. Sun rises 8^{00} Sets 5^{33}
Cloudy most of day. Slight flurry of snow during night. Put the old board coverings back on the cement steps leading to front door.
Down town afternoon to get New York Times

MONDAY NOVEMBER 15 1943

Max. + 36. Min. + 24. Sun rises 8^{02}. Sets 5^{33}
Cloudy morning, but sunshine for a while in middle of day. A few flakes of snow fell.
Office 8^{30} – 12^{40} – 1^{45} 5^{45}.
Down town to pay 2nd semiannual installment of ~~rent~~ taxes on house (88 Overing). \$$92.^{05}$, a slight reduction over last year, due to less "relief" taxation and the city paying off some of its indebtedness

Measured the skinned carcass of the Dunrobin wolf and total length from nose to tip of tail is only 53 inches

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 16 1943

Max. +20 Min. +14. Sun rises; 8^{03} Sets 5^{31}

Cloudy misty day. A few snowflakes fall.

Office 8^{30} – 12 2^{00} – 5^{40} pm

Correspondence, and working on specimens.

Work seems to be piling up, and steady work does not clear up the incoming demands.

The mimeographed pamphlets (Spec. Contrib. 43-2) are now exhausted, with only one proof copy left in the office

Mailed a few reprints of biological papers

8^{15} pm Ottawa Field Nat. Club, 1st winter lecture. Natural History Observations in the region of McKay Lake, Rockcliffe Park. At St. Patrick's College. Discussions by Dr. Alice Wilson, Mr. Graham Gooch, Mr. Herbert Groh and Rev. Father Banim. Interesting talks, but only about 20 present

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 17 1943

Max. +34. Min. +12 Sun 8^{05} am. Sets 5^{30}

Cloudy morning slight snow; but cleared in afternoon and snow gone from sidewalks before evening. Office 8^{30} – 11^{00} – 12^{00} – 12^{30} – 2^{00} – 5^{45} pm

Notice given personally about 9^{15} am that male members of staff of Bot. Div. report at 4th floor, Langevin Block, (Dept. Pensions and Public Health) for X-ray lungs

Official approval given by Dep. Minister's office that Dr. Rand is allowed to go to A.M. Nat. Hist., New York to select gift collection of birds. Expenses $150.00 ($50 in U.S. funds)

Pm. Rand's lecture to Ornithological Society approved (without having to write out lecture for approval by the The

8^{15}–10 pm. Museum lecture by Paul Provancher. on Laurentian Baie Comeau and hinterland, P.Q.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 18 1943

Max. +41 Min. +23 Sun rises 8.0[illegible] Sets 5^{29}

Cloudy a.m. A few snowflakes as usual, enough to whiten the ground in morning. Clear in afternoon for a while. Office 8^{45} – 12^{30} – 1^{45} 5^{45} pm. Correspondence. Looked up some old files and notes.

Two cartons of mammal specimens (Acces. 43-27) received from J.D. Soper in forenoon; also by registered mail in afternoon Mss. of Soper's paper on Mammal life of Southern Baffin Island, for me to check the nomenclature, etc.

8 – 9^{55} pm. At office and did some writing

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 19 1943

Max. +47 Min. +33 Sun rises 8^{07} Sets. 5^{29}

Cloudy morning, with sky clearing a little by 9 am. Weather milder. Up 6^{30} am. Office 8^{25} –

Correspondence and filing.

Read part of Soper's Baffin Island Mss. and made some notes and corrections. Received another paper from him in afternoon by air mail on "Nature Lore in Saskatchewan" prepared for Yorkton Nat. Hist. Society. Corrected same and sent out by return mail.

Mr. Cartens came over to house and worked from 6^{30} to 10 pm. He laid new linoleum on floor of upstairs front porch room and tacked up some large pieces of linoleum on floor of attic to shed drip from leaks

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 20 1943

Cloudy all day. Rather warm. Up 6^{30} am
Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm. Discussed advisability of getting out Dr. Rand's Alaska Highway preliminary report as a mimeographed bulletin. Mr Lynch has suggested that we can perhaps get it printed that way, cheaper than from type. Discussed beavers with ——, boy from High School who has an "assignment" on subject. Examined skull of "Wolf" brought in on Nov. 13th, as it proves to be a Coyote, apparently *Canis l. latrans*. — perhaps most Eastern record in Canada.
Office 3^{00} pm —

8^{00} pm Meeting of Council, Ottawa Field-Nat. Club. in Office of Agri. Repr. 295 Albert Street. J. Walton Groves, Sec'y

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21 1943

Max. + 34. Min. + 25. Sun rises: 8^{10} Sets 5^{27}.
Cloudy day. Rather cool.
Took Extension ladder from back of house and put in basement ~~through~~ front (North) window
Picked up things around the house including an old suit of heavy gray. tweed (3 piece) and a pair of gray flannel trousers to give to the "Drive" for old warm clothing for use on navy vessels to clothe survivors from torpedoed vessels.
Downtown in afternoon to get New York Times.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 22 1943

Max. + 34. Min. + 21. Sun rises: 8^{12} Sets 5^{26}

Up 6^{30} Office 8^{25} — 12^{20} - 1^{45} - 5^{50} pm

Clear at midday

Correspondence, etc. / Blakely and Perron brought up one of the old tin storage cases, which had been cleaned and painted for temporary use.

Received skull of 3-months old Cub Wolf from Herbert Knight, Supt. Prince Albert National Park, killed last July. Finished notes and corrections on J. D. Soper's Mss, on "Mammals of Southern Baffin Island" and sent it out on afternoon Mail. Discussed method of publishing Rand's paper on Fur Statistics in Nova Scotia. 7^{40} — 9^{40} at office. Looked over papers and wrote letter to Prof E. R. Hall, Berkeley, mainly on Porcupine paper

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 23 1943

Max + 36 Min + 26 Sun rises: 8^{14} Sets: 5^{25}

Cloudy morning, clearing up sometime between 9-10 am

Office 8^{30} — 12^{05} 2^{45} - 5^{45} Clear pm. Cold wind.

Dr. R. T. D. Wickenden brought in head (in flesh) of spike buck, White-tailed Deer, killed near Whitefish Lake, Renfrew County by hunting party last week. He may get some other skulls. Brought ~~skull~~ home and parboiled the flesh for mount. Sorted out skins and skulls of Lemmings ("Lemmus") which had skins spoiled by being almost entirely eaten by insects. Put skulls with skins & skull label in each place

2^{00} pm Funeral of Chas. H. Hagan. Large attendance, at Burney's Funeral Parlor. 338 W. Somerset Street

7^{30} p.m. Emergent Meeting. C.S. Lodge A.F. & A.M. for purpose of Conferring degrees

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 24 1943

Max. +44. Min +29. Sun rises 8^{14} - 5^{25}
Up 6^{35} Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{45} – 5^{40}
Correspondence, and filing. Out a letter
work on Mammal Check-list Cards beginning
Correction of Cards – Order Cetacea (Whales & Porpoises)
The matter of listing nominal records of Cetacea in Canadian waters is difficult, as most of the forms are entirely pelagic and seldom come very near shore. However, some of the species are widely ranging, and there are many "accidental" or "casual" occurrences of unexpected forms

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 25 1943

Max +50 Min. +26 Sun rises 8^{16} Sets 5^{24}
Clear day. Fairly warm for season. Up 6^{35}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} 5^{55} pm
Correspondence. Working on specimens. Unpacking Soper's 2nd box of specimens, mostly skulls. Sent out several envelopes of reprints to various correspondents

Mrs B.A. went to see Dr. MacCarthy today, to have treatment for vessel in left eye ruptured yesterday. Her eye was worse than usual, but Dr MacCarthy found her blood-pressure normal for age, and better than it has been in years. Advised calmness, etc. Wrote Herbert Kingsley re [illegible] and other [illegible].
8^{00} pm. 48th Reg. Convocation of Ottawa Chapter #222 R.A.M. Did not attend.

R.W.D. men cleaning windows today, furnishing Herbarium. Seeing the men (usually boy scouts) have plenty of time to ramble around and handle everything loose on "Cases" walls

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26 1943

Max. +49. Min +28. Sun rise: 8^{17} Set, 5^{23}

Cloudy with slight haze early in morning. Clear most of the day, clouding again after 4^{00} pm

Up 6^{35} am Office 8^{25} – 12^{00} – 2^{00} pm. 5:45.

Public Works Dept gang, about 9 or 10 men, washed windows in Mammal Room this morning

Downtown at noon and tried to buy some gloves (lined). Unable to find any lined gloves large enough, and some others (unlined dogskin) were too high-priced at \$4.50

Wrote Dr. Ross Hardy (Alcan) re reprints sent. Answered two letters from R. W. Tufts of Wolfville

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27 1943

Cloudy all day. Light fall of wet snow in afternoon and evening

Office 8^{30} am – 12^{45} pm

Correspondence, etc.

Story in morning Citizen, dispatch from New York quoting the tabloid newspaper "PM" in evidence before the Truman Investigating Committee of Senate, re "Canol" (Can-Oil) project, Whitehorse pipeline, built by U.S. Army at cost of one hundred million dollars plus, naming explorer V. Stefansson as adviser of Army and alleged to be also working for Can. Pac. Ry and Imperial Oil Ltd, a subsidiary of Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey

Downtown in afternoon and bought a copy of PM, which carried one page of details

Office 3^{15} – 5^{00} pm, working on correspondence, etc

6^{30} pm Mrs Florence Slattery Dorman at home for dinner, with Dorothy

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28 1943

Max. +27. Min. +23 Sun rises. 8^{49} Set 5^{22}

Cloudy most of day clearing a little late in afternoon +30 at 3^{00} pm. on Elgin St. A small amount of snow on streets, slushy in many places; but not deep.

Down to Chateau in afternoon to get my New York Times. Bought a copy of "PM" (Sunday's) on counter. Stefansson, who according to a well-known newspaper man in Washington about twenty years ago was "an artist with the alibi," comes out with a statement that he only worked as a paid adviser to U.S. Army from 1935 to 1942 at $10,000 per year, was not "working for C.P. Ry. or Imperial Oil. He admitted giving advice on Canol projects, but as they were not followed, ~~to p~~ in detail, he is not responsible, passing the buck to the Army, with a side slam at Imp. Oil and Canadian Govt. authorities who may have backed some of the projects as a "ruse" to get better terms from the U.S. Army.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 29 1943

Max. +29 Min. +6 Sun rises, 8^{21} Sets: 5^{22}

Clear a.m., bright sunshine in forenoon. Left 6^{30} am.
Office 9^{00} – $12.^{00}$ 1^{30} 5^{45} pm

Showed Chipman the "PM" papers, which amused him somewhat.

Correspondence and filing. Wrote Soper re Correction on the Mammals of Southern Baffin Island

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 30 1943

Max. +24 Min. +12 Sun rises. 8^{22} Sets 5^{21}.
Up 6^{35} am. Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} 2^{30} – 5^{50}pm
Correspondence etc. Office memoranda etc.

After the Canadian Club address, I had lined up near head of Coat Check line. As I was going back the Hon. Charles Stewart was in line and signalled me to come up. We shook hands, and he smiled and said "Your old friend is in trouble again. I was reading the paper and told my wife that our old friend Anderson would be interested." I said that our mutual friend seemed to be in trouble on both sides of the Boundary. An amusing memory to me was that Mr. Stewart (then the Hon. Minister of Interior) shut me off by wire when I made a protest re V.S. in 1921, and a few years later told with pride that our friend Anderson said the [illegible] years ago.
1^{00} p.m. Canadian Club luncheon. Address by Henri Kauffmann Danish Minister to the United States. Fairly good attendance. Speaker not "inspired" speaker, but gave a good informative address on Denmark and its past and present conditions

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 1 1943

Max. +41. Min. +23. Sun rises 8^{23}. Sets 5^{21}
Clear most of day. Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 2^{00} – 5^{50}pm
Correspondence. Wrote to J.D. Soper and Stuart Criddle re shipping specimen of Dakota White-tailed Deer from Treesbank, Manitoba. We are unable to make arrangements to ship it by freight, and Express from Brandon is $6.25 per Cwt. Dept. approving shipping for not to exceed $25.00

Deposited cheque from Fiscal Agent of Finance Department for $103.35 redemption value of five War Savings Certificates. Sent cheque $45.00 to Dr. A. Clayton Bourne, DDS for balance on bill for Operative and prosthetic dentistry work for Isobel.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 2 1943

Max. + 41 Min. + 24 Sun rises 8^{24} Sets 5^{21}

Cloudy morning. Snow melting a little at noon.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{45}

Correspondence and working on specimens

FRIDAY DECEMBER 3 1943

Max. + 32 Min. + 23 Sun rises 8^{25} Sets 5^{20}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{45} 5^{50}

Cloudy most of day. Sleet aftn. Colder in evening.

Correspondence and filing

Rand working in Mammal room, doing mammals for the Alaska Highway report

SATURDAY DECEMBER 4 1943

Cloudy. Practically no snow left on ground in the city. Up 6^{30} Office 8^{20} – 12^{30}

Wrote two memoranda, one re letter from Mr. Huestis, Fish and Game Commissioner, Alberta, re work of Sub-Committee on Fish and Game, Reconstruction plans. They ask for pamphlets for public Education.

Light fall of heavy snow in afternoon, melting on streets and walks into slush.

3^{30} – 5^{30} pm. At Museum. Found Dr. H.M. Speechly at door looking for me. He is president of the Manitoba Museums Assn. and of the Manitoba Museum. Showed him around and had a good visit. He is attending a Conference on Epidemic diseases.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 5 1943

Max. +23 Min. +18 Sun rises 8^{27} Sets 5^{20} pm

Cloudy most of day with sunshine at times. Walked 10^{30} – 12^{30} to Ottawa East, Hurdman's Bridge and back along Rideau River to Billings Bridge, home on Echo Drive. Large numbers of House Sparrows and Starlings on city dump near Hurdman's Bridge.

About one dozen Herring Gulls flying about and resting on water above Hurdman's Bridge. River mostly open, some ice around edges. The only other native birds seen were one Downy Woodpecker on Riverdale Avenue, and one Nuthatch heard near Echo Drive.

Dorothy getting ready for trip to Chicago, Council Bluffs etc.

8–11 pm. Dorothy had party of 6 friends, Capt. Ross Mackay, Mr. Webb, Douglas Carman, Miss Medric, Miss G. Sleeves.

MONDAY DECEMBER 6 1943

Max. +17 Min. +12 Sun rises 8^{29} Sets. 5^{20}

Cloudy morning; warmer. Snowing at 8^{30} a.m.

Office 8^{40} — 12^{20} 1^{50} — 5^{50} p.m.

Correspondence, etc.

Dr. Wickenden brought in another deer head, in the flesh, 2nd year buck, head unskinned.

Wrote report on work of Biological Division for Nov. 1943.

D. J. Blakely applied for five days statutory leave from 6 – 10th.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 7 1943

Max. +21 Min. +6 Sun rises: 8^{30} Sets: 5^{19}.

Cloudy morning. About 2 inches of snow fell yesterday and last night. Sun came out brightly in forenoon, and snow melting on sidewalks by noon.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} —

Wrote Col. John H. Howard.

8^{45} p.m. Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club. Annual Meeting in Lecture Hall, National Museum. Address by Dr. A. Leahey, Field Husbandry Division, Central Exper. Farm. Subject "Alaska Highway."

M.B.A. out of town today.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 8 1943

Max + 34 Min +16 Sun rises. 8^{31} Sets 5^{19}

Cloudy most of day. thawing a little. streets slushy.

CONCEPTION DAY (QUEBEC). People in G. Service by special order can attend to religious observances before 10^{00} a.m.

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm

Correspondence. Made a revised list of Dr. C.H.D. Clarke's mammal collection made in Yukon portion of Alaska Highway last summer — 24 skulls and 23 skins.

Claude E. Johnson absent today and yesterday; both he and his wife sick in bed with influenza. Miss Hartman also absent from same cause.

Dorothy left on 11^{00} pm train for Chicago, to visit her aunt; expects to spend a couple of days at Council Bluffs, and at Mankato, Minnesota, before returning on Dec. 22nd. She has two weeks leave (an annual leave)

THURSDAY DECEMBER 9 1943

Max. + 42 Min + 32 Sun rises: 8^{31} Sets 5^{19}

Up 6^{30} a.m. Somewhat cloudy, but sun coming out about 9^{30}

Office 8^{30} – 12^{15} – 1^{45} – 5^{30}

Correspondence, etc.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 10 1943

Max. +31. Min. +25. Sunrise: 8^{32} Sets 5^{14}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15}, 1^{45} – 5^{40} pm
Correspondence, filing and miscellaneous museum work

SATURDAY DECEMBER 11 1943

Cloudy day. Light, wet snow falling in evening. Clear part of day. Rather cold.
Office 8^{30} – Noon pm. Working on correspondence, accessions, files etc.
Down town in afternoon, and bought a pair of ha rubber arctics (1-buckle), at Bryson-Graham for $1.4 Also a pair of gray leather gloves, No 11. wool-lined, for $$3^{50}$ I have looked all over town and failed to find a pair of lined gloves that are large enough. If gloves are at all tight, the fingers will freeze.
To Office 3^{30} – 5^{30} pm. Wrote a letter to tus

SUNDAY DECEMBER 12 1943

Max. +22. Min — 1B. Sun 8^{32}. Sets 5^{19}.
Cloudy all day., rather raw and cold.
Cleared snow off front veranda and steps. also path around house and a gang way in back yard. then to garage on Frank Street and shovelled and swept snow away — 3 or 4 inches of soft light snow
Down town in afternoon and got Sunday New York Times.

MONDAY DECEMBER 13 1943

Max. — 9B. Min. — 4B. Sun rises 8^{35} Sets 5^{20}.
Cloudy in early morning, clearing in forenoon.
Office 8^{30} — 12^{20}. 1^{00} 5^{50} p.m
Correspondence, etc.
Dr. Rand told me that Mr. Gibson says his report on Alaska Highway is too long, and wants him to cut it down to a size which the Dept can publish. No decision on what to cut. Rand says that Gibson wants him to work on Alaska Highway next summer; wants him to make plans

TUESDAY DECEMBER 14 1943

Max. + 18. Min. + Sunrise 8^{36} Set 5^{20}
Clear day. Rather cold. Up 6^{35}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{15}, 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm
Correspondence. Wrote memo for Dr. Clarke re Coyote killed at Point Pelee, Ont. June 18th 1943
Claude E. Johnston's home phoned. The doctor says he has had intestinal flu and still has pain in his chest & thinks he should not go back to the office until after Christmas.
Paid today. Cashed cheque and paid a few bills by cheque
7^{45} pm. Regular meeting C.S. Lodge No. 148: Election of officers. Good attendance.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 15 1943

Max. Zero. Min. – 18 B. Sunrise 8^{37} Set 5^{20}
Hazy in morning. Clear all day. Little snow
Up 6^{25} am. Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{50} – 5^{45}
Correspondence etc. Reexamined shrews collected by Dr. C.H.D. Clarke and decided that one is Sorex cinereus cinereus and the other Sorex obscurus. Addressed a few envelopes for reprints

8 am – 10^{30} pm. Visited Carleton Chapter R.A.M. Election of officers. Dr. O'Brien and I were asked to act as scrutineers. M.M.M. degree given to Comp. Clifford Ackland.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 16 1943

Max. + 5 Min. −15B Sun rises: 8^{37} Sets 5^{20}
Clear day. Up. 6^{35} am Office 8^{30} – 12^{20} – 1^{45} 5^{45}
Correspondence. Sent out about fifteen sets of reprints
P.M. Carcass of large buck deer (O. v. dacotensis) came in by express from Treesbank, Manitoba; sent by Stuart Criddle. Weight (disemboweled) 19 ~~lbs~~ pounds. Put it in cold storage room to thaw out. A large buck with a fine pair of antlers; rather heavy antlers. Compared with [illegible]; legs more reddish than in winter borealis. M.B.L. took afternoon off for shopping and came home for lunch. Several Christmas packages sent out

FRIDAY DECEMBER 17 1943

Max. + 30 Min. −2B. Sun rises: 8^{38} Sets. 5^{21}
Cloudy most of day. Up 6^{30}
Office 8^{30} – 12^{30} 1^{45} – 5^{45} pm
Correspondence, and work on mammals.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 18 1943

Cloudy all day, with a little wet snow in afternoon. Office 8^{30} – 1^{00} pm correspondence, etc. Some work on mammals. Put a few reprints in envelopes for mailing. P.M. went downtown shopping, particularly to get some asbestos paper sheathing to put on wall back of kitchen stove. Found Builders Sales Co closed in afternoon (with other hardware stores). Most other places open. Went into a little store on Sussex Street and bought a pair of heavy woolen mittens for snow shovelling $1.25

SUNDAY DECEMBER 19 1943

Max + 33. Min + 25. Sun rises 8^{39} sets 5^{22}.
Cloudy all day. Very fine wet mist, almost rain in afternoon.

Cleaned furnace, taking down smoke pipe and ramming out flues and lining of furnace. Took out ½ garbage can of fine black soot. Furnace seemed to give out more heat afterwards. The so-called "anthracite" we are getting this winter seems to be a poor quality (almost bituminous). The last [illegible] lot was a mixture of 1500 lbs. "stove" and "nut" with 500 lbs of "pea" coal. Cleaned up basement afterwards. Helped Grace on Christmas tree (spruce) downtown p.m. to get Sunday New York Times

MONDAY DECEMBER 20 1943

Max. + 21 Min. + 10 Sun rises: 8^{40} Sets 5^{22}
Cloudy morning. Blustery wind about 8^{45} with flurry of snow; clearing by 9^{00} am. Up. 6^{30} am
Office 8^{30} — 12^{20}; 1^{00} — 5^{50} pm
Sunshine during most of day. Mailed some reprints. Correspondence. Stopped at P.O. at noon to buy some stamps and a postal note. There has been a long line-up every day for weeks, after Govt. office hours. Sent holiday cards to members of staff of Biol. Division. Evening at home. Straightened up some things in my basement room. We have had occasional help in house for a while, and room has been dusted at instalment, but never finished. The coal we are burning raises a load of white dust which covers everything in basement in a day or two.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 21 1943

Max. + 30 Min. + 2 Sun rises: 8^{40} Sets 5^{22}
Cloudy morning. About 2 inches of light snow fell during night, and a little snow falling during forenoon. Office 8^{30} — 12^{00} - 1^{45} 5^{45} pm

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 22 1943

Max. +6. Min. -15 B. Sun rises 8^{41} Sets 5^{22}
Up 6^{35} am Office: 8^{30} - 12^{10} 1^{40} 5^{30} pm
Correspondence.. Checked over my mailing list
and sent out a few reprints of scientific papers

Went home and got dinner ready. N.B.A. went to Railway Station to meet train on which Dorothy expected to return from Chicago. The train was about 2 hours late, and they came home about 9^{30} pm. Dorothy enjoyed her trip to Chicago and Mankato, meeting many relatives she had never seen before.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 23 1943

Max. +17. Min. -19 B. Sun rises 8^{41} Sets 5^{23} -
Clear day - Cold. Up 6^{30} - Office 8^{30} 12^{05}
1^{40} - 5^{30}. Correspondence etc.

Dorothy got her large trunk from the Railway Station; She brought to me most of the late uncle Harry Ellestrand's clothing, most yet practically unworn. 1 long heavy ulster, 1 medium heavy overcoat, 8 suits (8 coats 8 vests, and 10 trousers) mostly fine light-weight woollens, including sports wear, 8 pairs of shoes, several shirts, 9 neckties, and a bale of underwear, all in good condition. Spend most of the evening unpacking and sorting.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 24 1943

Max. −8 B. Min −25 B. Sunrise 8^{41} Sets 5^{23}
Clear cold. Office 8^{30} – 12^{00} noon.
Holiday for all branches of Civil service this afternoon and tomorrow. Some correspondence attended to. Gave Dr. A. L. Rand a copy (bound) of my "Birds of Iowa" (1907), with a few manuscript annotations on blank pages which were bound into the book.
Rand has been asked to write an article on the Alaska Highway but does not like the prospect. He considers the Canadian Geographical Magazine a commercial enterprise, which pays an "honorarium" to outside writers, but "officials" in the civil service, and avoid paying them any remuneration as they are more or less forced to contribute if the Deputy Minister is induced to request them to write an article

SATURDAY DECEMBER 25 1943

Clear day. Rather cold. At home all day, having a quiet Christmas, with only M.B.A. and Dorothy at home.

CHRISTMAS DAY (DOMINION)

No Ottawa papers published today. The Citizen and Journal brought out the evening editions at noon yesterday.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 26 1943

Max. + 30 Min. + 10 Sunrises 8^{42} Sets 5^{25}

Thick mist until about 11^{30}. Sky cleared after 11^{30} and rest of day was clear

– 11^{am} – 1^{pm}. Went over my regular route for Christmas Bird Census by Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club – to Ottawa East, Hawthorn Av. to gas house, Ottawa garbage dump from Hurdman's Bridge, and up along Rideau River to near Billings Bridge. Fewer birds than at any Christmas day in my experience: about 50 House Sparrows, 6 Starlings & no native species seen. Two Rock Doves (pigeons). Sparrows are still scattered around town, with only about 6 inches of snow they seem to find food, and have not yet taken to the garbage dump. Callers in afternoon L.A.C. James Fawcett, Mrs. Florence Flattery Norman, 1st Lt. Alan S. Purdy, R.C.H. home on leave from Petawawa Military Camp, at house for dinner

MONDAY DECEMBER 27 1943

Max. Min. Sun rises 8^{43} Sets 5^{26}

Cloudy morning – Weather mild. Up 6 30 am

Office 8^{30} – 12^{05} 1^{45} – 5^{30}

4^{30} pm. C.S. Lodge, A.F. & A.M., No. 148, G.R.C. in Ontario' Festival of St John the Evangelist Installation of Master Elect Investiture of Officers for 1944. Good attendance.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 28 1943

Max. +6 Min. +1 Sun rises: 8^{43} Sets: 5^{37}
Office 8^{30} — 12^{00} 1^{00} — 5^{45}
Correspondence and work on specimens.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 29 1943

Max. +3 Min. -9B. Sun rises: 8^{43} Sets: 5^{27}
Off

THURSDAY DECEMBER 30 1943

Max. + 20 Min ~~+23~~ zero. Sun rises 8^{43} Sets 5^{38}
Cloudy all day. Very light fall of snow. Warmer. Up 6^{30} — Office 8^{30} - 12^{20} - 2^{00} - 5^{45} pm Correspondence. Wrote Soper re Synaptomys in Manitoba and other matters. Downtown at noon to make deposit in Ontario Savings Branch. Long queue of people from one end of office to the other.

8^{00} p.m. Ottawa Chapter, No. 222, G. R. of Ontario. 219th Regular Convocation. Election of officers and M.M°.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 31 1943

Max. + 29 Min + 23. Sun rises 8^{44} Sets. 5^{30}
Office 8^{30} - 12^{00} Holiday declared for afternoon. Went down town in afternoon to do some errands. At Office from about 3^{00} to 5^{30} pm and wrote some letters.

MEMORANDA

MEMORANDA

MEMORANDA

MEMORANDA

MEMORANDA

MEMORANDA

MEMORANDA

MEMORANDA

5122

COUNTING HOUSE CALENDAR 1944

	Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
JAN.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1
	2 2	3 3	4 4	5 5	6 6	7 7	8 8
	9 9	10 10	11 11	12 12	13 13	14 14	15 15
	16 16	17 17	18 18	19 19	20 20	21 21	22 22
	23 23	24 24	25 25	26 26	27 27	28 28	29 29
	30 30	31 31	..	..	..	..	..
FEB.	..	..	1 32	2 33	3 34	4 35	5 36
	6 37	7 38	8 39	9 40	10 41	11 42	12 43
	13 44	14 45	15 46	16 47	17 48	18 49	19 50
	20 51	21 52	22 53	23 54	24 55	25 56	26 57
	27 58	28 59	29 60	..	..	..	..
MAR.	..	..	..	1 61	2 62	3 63	4 64
	5 65	6 66	7 67	8 68	9 69	10 70	11 71
	12 72	13 73	14 74	15 75	16 76	17 77	18 78
	19 79	20 80	21 81	22 82	23 83	24 84	25 85
	26 86	27 87	28 88	29 89	30 90	31 91	..
APRIL	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 92
	2 93	3 94	4 95	5 96	6 97	7 98	8 99
	9 100	10 101	11 102	12 103	13 104	14 105	15 106
	16 107	17 108	18 109	19 110	20 111	21 112	22 113
	23 114	24 115	25 116	26 117	27 118	28 119	29 120
	30 121	..	..	..	..	..	..
MAY	..	1 122	2 123	3 124	4 125	5 126	6 127
	7 128	8 129	9 130	10 131	11 132	12 133	13 134
	14 135	15 136	16 137	17 138	18 139	19 140	20 141
	21 142	22 143	23 144	24 145	25 146	26 147	27 148
	28 149	29 150	30 151	31 152	..	..	..
JUNE	..	..	..	..	1 153	2 154	3 155
	4 156	5 157	6 158	7 159	8 160	9 161	10 162
	11 163	12 164	13 165	14 166	15 167	16 168	17 169
	18 170	19 171	20 172	21 173	22 174	23 175	24 176
	25 177	26 178	27 179	28 180	29 181	30 182	..

	Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
JULY	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 183
	2 184	3 185	4 186	5 187	6 188	7 189	8 190
	9 191	10 192	11 193	12 194	13 195	14 196	15 197
	16 198	17 199	18 200	19 201	20 202	21 203	22 204
	23 205	24 206	25 207	26 208	27 209	28 210	29 211
	30 212	31 213	..	..	..	..	..
AUG.	..	..	1 214	2 215	3 216	4 217	5 218
	6 219	7 220	8 221	9 222	10 223	11 224	12 225
	13 226	14 227	15 228	16 229	17 230	18 231	19 232
	20 233	21 234	22 235	23 236	24 237	25 238	26 239
	27 240	28 241	29 242	30 243	31 244	..	..
SEPT.	..	..	..	..	..	1 245	2 246
	3 247	4 248	5 249	6 250	7 251	8 252	9 253
	10 254	11 255	12 256	13 257	14 258	15 259	16 260
	17 261	18 262	19 263	20 264	21 265	22 266	23 267
	24 268	25 269	26 270	27 271	28 272	29 273	30 274
OCT.	1 275	2 276	3 277	4 278	5 279	6 280	7 281
	8 282	9 283	10 284	11 285	12 286	13 287	14 288
	15 289	16 290	17 291	18 292	19 293	20 294	21 295
	22 296	23 297	24 298	25 299	26 300	27 301	28 302
	29 303	30 304	31 305	..	..	..	..
NOV.	..	..	..	1 306	2 307	3 308	4 309
	5 310	6 311	7 312	8 313	9 314	10 315	11 316
	12 317	13 318	14 319	15 320	16 321	17 322	18 323
	19 324	20 325	21 326	22 327	23 328	24 329	25 330
	26 331	27 332	28 333	29 334	30 335	..	..
DEC.	..	..	..	..	..	1 336	2 337
	3 338	4 339	5 340	6 341	7 342	8 343	9 344
	10 345	11 346	12 347	13 348	14 349	15 350	16 351
	17 352	18 353	19 354	20 355	21 356	22 357	23 358
	24 359	25 360	26 361	27 362	28 363	29 364	30 365
	31 366	..	..	..	..	..	..

2000-003